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## PREFACE

Cultural relevance significantly impacts how easily students learn English. Students at Shaanxi Normal University created 31 lessons of culturally relevant English-learning for students in China using short sentences, the present tense (mostly), and real-life content. This was done from March to June in 2018. These lessons reflect contemporary China as understood by Chinese students and will interest teachers and students engaged in teaching and learning English.

文化关联对学生学习英语的容易程度有着显著的影响。陕西师范大学的学生用短句、现在时态（大多数）和现实生活内容为中国学生开设了 31 堂与文化相关的英语学习课。这是在 2018 三月至六月完成的。开设此类文化课不仅能够一定程度上了解到中国学生对当代中国现实的不同认识，而且还对从事英语教学和学习的教师和学生是很有用的。

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# 1 The Green Hair Band

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Lü Hongfei 吕鸿飞

## Words and Expressions

affection 喜爱, 友情

hair band 发带, 发绳

anxious 焦虑的, 着急的

hide and seek (捉迷藏)

by heart 用心的, 认真的

in hurry 匆忙地

divide 划分, 分开

proud 自豪的

feel guilty 感到惭愧

together 共同, 一起

## Text

Li Li and Wang Fang are friends. They live in the same town. Li's father and Wang's mother work together. They bring their kids to farm. The two little girls love each other. They sing and dance and play hide and seek. This year they are seven years old. It's time to go to school. They are divided into the same class. Every day they go to school together.

Li's father buys her a gift. It's a green hair band. She wears it to school. All her classmates think it is beautiful. Li Li feels proud. After school, Wang Fang goes to Li Li' house. They play happily as usual. Wang Fang loves the band too. She asks Li where she buys it. Li tells her the store's name. Wang Fang remembers it by heart.

Next Monday, Li Li gets up early. But she can't find her hair band. She is anxious and sad. She arrives at school in hurry. She finds her classmates around Wang Fang. Wang Fang wears a hair band. It's a green one the same to hers. She believes Wang Fang stole her hair band. They quarrel and fight. Their relationship becomes bad. They don't talk to each other. They don't play together either.

On the weekend, Li Li visits her grandparents. She notices a green hair band. It's on the table. It's her hair band. She forgot to take it home last Sunday. She feels guilty about Wang Fang. Another day, she makes an apology to Wang Fang in person. They become good friends again.

## Exercises

1 Are these statements True (T) or False (F)?

[A] Li's father and Wang's mother are colleagues. ( )

[B] Li's mother buys her the beautiful hair band. ( )

[C] Wang Gang stole Li Li's hair band. ( )

2 Choose the best answer: Where is Li Li's hair band?

[A] in her house

[B] in her grandparents' house

[C] in Wang Fang's house

[D] Not mentioned

3 Put the following sentences in order.

[A] Li Li and Wang Fang became classmates.

[B] Li Li got a beautiful hair band.

[C] Li Li and Wang Fang quarrel and fight.

[D] Li Li and Wang Fang become good friends again.

[E] Li Li found her hair band.

4 Read the text again. Write the answer to this question:

[A] Why did Li Li and Wang Fang quarrel and fight?

## Answers

1 A (T)            B (T)            C (F)

2 B

3 A, B, C, E, D

## 2

# A Little Dream

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Liu Haoyu 刘皓宇

### Words and Expressions

fat 肥胖的

deskmate 同桌

goal 目标

chat 闲聊, 聊天

aim 目标, 目的

escape 逃跑

how hard 多么努力

beg 乞求, 恳求

be divided into 被分成...等不同的部分

moved 感动的

upset 沮丧的

wear 穿, 戴

note 笔记

dream 梦想

it's one's turn 轮到...干

make one's living 谋生

duty report 课堂报告

high school 高中

escape from 从...逃离

fall in love with... 爱上...

fight 打架, 争斗

try to wake him up 努力使他醒过来

injure 打伤, 使受伤

pay attention to 花费精力做某事

decide to follow 下定决心跟随...

sunny 阳光明媚的

little fatter than me 比我胖一点

must try my best 我必须尽全力

moved 感动的

## Text

Lei is a high school student. He doesn't have a dream. There are many such students. Lei doesn't know what he will do. He may go to a university. He may make his living.

Everything changes after Lei meets Yu.

It's a sunny day. Lei's deskmate is Yu. Yu is a little fatter than Lei. He also wears glasses. These two boys become good friends. They chat every day.

Yu is a student with his own ideas. Yu has clear aims. Once Lei and Yu play together. "I decide," says Yu. "I want to study Art."

Lei is surprised. He knows how hard Yu studies. They are in different classes. One is better. The other is lower.

"I study in the best Art class. I must try my best. My goal is Tsinghua University," says Yu.

Lei feels upset. "Why do you always study? Your notes are so neat. Why?" Lei asks.

"You will understand one day," Yu says.

Three months later, it's Yu's turn. He gives a duty report. He tells his classmates his story:

He escapes from school every day. He falls in love. He fights his classmates. He sleeps in an English class. His teacher tries to wake him up. Yu injures the teacher. Yu must leave school. His mother begs the head teacher. Finally, Yu can stay in school. Yu changes. He pays attention to study.

After hearing Yu's story, Lei is moved. He decides to follow Yu. Lei changes. He now has a little dream. He hopes to follow Yu.

## Exercises

1 Who said the sentences below? Write the character's name before each sentence.

[A] \_\_\_\_\_ "I'm going to study Art."

[B] \_\_\_\_\_ "I study in the best Art class. I will try my best. My aim is Tsinghua University,"

[C] \_\_\_\_\_ "Why do you always study? Your notes books are so neat. Why?"

[D] \_\_\_\_\_ "You will understand one day,"

2 These words are not spelled correctly. Spell each word correctly.

[A] snuny \_\_\_\_\_ [B] caht \_\_\_\_\_ [C] ebg \_\_\_\_\_ [D] esacep \_\_\_\_\_

[E] mvoke \_\_\_\_\_ [F] glao \_\_\_\_\_ [G] deksatme \_\_\_\_\_ [H] inurej \_\_\_\_\_



3 Write answers to these questions.

[A] Who is Lei's deskmate?

\_\_\_\_\_

[B] What decision does Yu make? \_\_\_\_\_

[C] What is Lei's little dream? \_\_\_\_\_

4 Each sentence below has one mistake. Find the mistake and correct it in each sentence.

[A] It's sunny day. Mistake = \_\_\_\_\_ Correct = \_\_\_\_\_

[B] Everything change after Lei meets Yu. Mistake = \_\_\_\_\_ Correct = \_\_\_\_\_

[C] He wants be his friend forever. Mistake = \_\_\_\_\_ Correct = \_\_\_\_\_

5 The words in these sentences are not in the correct order. Put them in the correct order.

[ ] Hearing Yu's story, Lei after moved is.

[ ] You day understand will one.

[ ] Your are so neat notes.

[ ] I try must my best.

[ ] After everything Lei changes meets Yu.

### Answers

1 [A] Yu [B] Yu [C] Lei [D] Yu

2 [A] sunny [B] chat [C] beg [D] escape [E] moved [F] goal [G] deskmate [H] injure

3 [A] Yu [B] He wants to study Art. [C] He hopes to follow Yu.

4 [A] It's a sunny day. [B] Everything changes after Lei meets Yu.  
[C] He wants to be his friend forever.

5 [1] After hearing Yu's story, Lei is moved. [2] You will understand one day. [3] Your notes are so neat. [4] I must try my best. [5] Everything changes after Lei meets Yu.

# 3

## Travel

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Liu Sijing 刘思婧

### Words and Expressions

accept 接受	cross it 穿过它
appear 出现	leave for 动身去
animal 动物	the rest of the travel 剩余的旅途
beautiful 美丽的	get to 到达
darkness 黑暗	after several hours 在几个小时后
mountain 山脉	it breaks the darkness 它打破了黑暗
several 几个的	turn around 转身
stove 火炉	never forget 永远不会忘记
grow up 长大	share an experience 分享经历
too old to 太老以至于不能	open question 开放性题目
set off 出发, 动身	standard answer 标准答案

### Text

Mingming is a ten-years-old boy. He lives on a farm. There are many animals. He loves animals. Mingming has a dog. It is named Heizi. It is one-year-old. Every day Mingming plays with Heizi. They both grow up day by day. They are good friends.

Mingming is now eighteen. Heizi is nine years old. It is too old to run. Heizi just walks slowly around the farm. It never leaves the farm. Mingming wants Heizi to see the ocean. So he takes Heizi, food, and money. They set off.

Mingming is old enough to drive a car. It takes about thirty days to the ocean. They travel by day. At night, they sleep in the car. After ten days, they see a mountain. They must cross it. It's difficult to drive fast. They see many green trees. They hear birds sing. Mingming stops. He takes Heizi out of the car. They walk slowly and feel good. Then they leave for the ocean.

Mingming drives his car following a map. One day, it rains heavily. They have to stop. It's getting dark. Heizi is old and feels cold. They can't stay in the car. Mingming must find a warm

place. They find a house. The owner is kind. He asks them to come in. The family has a little girl. "Their house is clean and beautiful. The family is kind," Mingming thinks.

The little girl loves Heizi. She takes Heizi near a stove. She plays with it.

Mingming tells their story to the father. This man is moved. He loves drawing. He draws a picture for them. He gives it to Mingming. The next day, the sun shines. It is warm. Mingming thanks the kind family. They start their travel again.

The rest of the travel goes fast. It's early when they get to the sea. The sun doesn't appear. It's dark. They wait. After several hours, the sun appears. The colors are beautiful. A red sun appears. It breaks the darkness and brings light. Heizi looks at the sun. Mingming looks at Heizi and say, nothing. After a while, Heizi turns around. A dog can't laugh. But Mingming knows Heizi has fun. They love each other. They understand each other.

Mingming sits down and holds Heizi. He feels good. He never forgets this day. He must take Heizi home. They can be together forever.

### Exercises

1 These words are not spelled correctly. Spell each word correctly.

[A] apprear \_\_\_\_\_ [B] mountain \_\_\_\_\_ [C] animial \_\_\_\_\_

[D] beautiful \_\_\_\_\_ [E] severel \_\_\_\_\_

2 Write an answer to the question:

[A] What does the owner of the family give Mingming? \_\_\_\_\_

3 Are these statements true or false? If the statement is false, change it so it is true.

[A] Mingming wants to take Heizi to a bigger city. \_\_\_\_\_

[B] The family has a cute son. \_\_\_\_\_

[C] Heizi finally dies. \_\_\_\_\_

4 Share an experience with your family.

### Answers

1 [A] appear [B] mountain [C] animal [D] beautiful [E] several

2 [A] He gives Mingming a piece of picture he draws.

3 [A] False. Mingming wants to take Heizi to the ocean. [B] False. The family has a cute daughter.  
[C] False. Heizi doesn't die.

# 4

## Xiao Hong

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Chen Han 陈晗

### Words and Expressions

student 学生	everything 一切	forget 忘记
several 一些	work 工作	knows a lot 知道很多
read 阅读	talk 谈话	knows it is wrong 知道这是
borrow 借	farm 农场	错误的
book 书	decide 决定	many stories tell 很多故事
leave 离开	study 学习 i	告诉
buy 买	interesting 有趣的	knows she makes a mistake
wrong 不道德的	walk 走	知道她犯了一个错误
enough 足够的	teach 教	change her life 改变她的人
make a mistake 犯错误	change 改变	生
poor 贫穷的	really likes 非常喜欢	

### Text

Xiao Hong is a student. She really likes reading. Mrs. Li likes reading, too. She has many books in her home. Xiao Hong's family don't buy books. They don't have enough money. They are poor. They want Xiao Hong to work on the farm. She wants to study. She studies hard.

Xiao Hong often goes to Mrs. Li's home. She walks for several kilometers. She makes friends with Mrs. Li. They read together. Mrs. Li knows a lot. Xiao Hong often borrows books from Mrs. Li.

One day, Mrs. Li leaves. Only Xiao Hong stays in her house. She takes a book. She knows it is wrong. She leaves.

Xiao Hong knows she makes a mistake. Mrs. Li is good. Many stories tell people to be good.

She finds Mrs. Li. She tells her everything.

"It is OK, Xiao Hong," Mrs. Li says.

"But it is my mistake," Xiao Hong says.

"Everyone makes mistakes," Mrs. Li answers.

"I am sorry," Xiao Hong cries.

"Now I give the book to you."

"Thank you, Mrs. Li."

Mrs. Li talks to Xiao Hong. Xiao Hong decides to study harder. She borrows more books from Mrs. Li. She is the best student. She never forgets Mrs. Li's love. She also never forgets the interesting stories. They change her life. They teach her to be good.

### Exercises

1 Each sentence below has one mistake. Find the mistake and correct it in each sentence.

[A] She really like reading. Mistake = \_\_\_\_\_ Correct = \_\_\_\_\_

[B] They want Xiao Hong to work in the farm. Mistake = \_\_\_\_\_ Correct = \_\_\_\_\_

[C] Xiao Hong knows she makes a mistakes. Mistake = \_\_\_\_\_ Correct = \_\_\_\_\_

[D] Mrs. Li talks Xiao Hong. Mistake = \_\_\_\_\_ Correct = \_\_\_\_\_

[E] She also never forgets the interested stories. Mistake = \_\_\_\_\_ Correct = \_\_\_\_\_

2 Spell the words correctly.

[A] byu \_\_\_\_\_ [B] brorw \_\_\_\_\_ [C] lveae \_\_\_\_\_ [D] change \_\_\_\_\_ [E] wrok \_\_\_\_\_

[F] several \_\_\_\_\_ [G] dcide \_\_\_\_\_ [H] rdea \_\_\_\_\_ [I] stduy \_\_\_\_\_ [J] worng \_\_\_\_\_

3 Write answers to these questions.

[A] Why does Xiao Hong's family not buy books for her? \_\_\_\_\_

[B] What does Xiao Hong do when Mrs. Li leaves? \_\_\_\_\_

[C] Does Mrs. Li forgive Xiao Hong? \_\_\_\_\_

[D] What kind of person is Mrs. Li? \_\_\_\_\_

[E] What do you learn from Xiao Hong? \_\_\_\_\_

4 Are these statements true or false? If a statement is false, change it so it is true.

[A] Xiao Hong doesn't borrow any books from Mrs. Li. \_\_\_\_\_

- [B] Xiao Hong is a thief. \_\_\_\_\_
- [C] Xiao Hong thinks what she does is right. \_\_\_\_\_
- [D] Xiao Hong knows she is wrong and corrects her mistakes. \_\_\_\_\_
- [E] Reading is good for people. \_\_\_\_\_

### Answers

- 1 [A] She really likes reading. [B] They want Xiao Hong to work on the farm. [C] Xiao Hong knows she makes a mistake. [D] Mrs. Li talks to Xiao Hong. [E] She also never forgets the interesting stories.
- 2 [A] buy [B] borrow [C] leave [D] change [E] work [F] several [G] decide [H] read [I] study [J] wrong
- 3 [A] Because they don't have money. They are poor. [B] She takes a book. She leaves. [C] Yes, she does. [D] She is a kind person. [E] We should realize our mistakes and correct them.
- 4 [A] False. Xiao Hong often borrows books from Mrs. Li. [B] False. Xiao Hong is not a thief. [C] False. Xiao Hong knows she makes a mistake. [D] True. [E] True.

# 5

## I Love You

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Liu Qian 刘倩

### Words and Expressions

sings this way 这样唱歌

is her world 是她们的全世界

oh, maybe it is... 噢, 或许这是.....

can't live without him 没有他就活不下去

I just... 我只是.....

don't want to lose you 不想失去你

ask around 四处打听

moves their parents 感动了他们的父母

I make it 我成功了, 我做到了

give reason 给出理由

miss you 想念你

whole world 全世界

dream is to 梦想是

break up 分手

drink too much 喝得太多

fall in love with 爱上

am always here 永远在这里

### Text

Feifei wakes up. Someone sings outside the door. She listens carefully. It is a man. She doesn't know who he is. No one sings this way. Oh, maybe it is Wu Qingfeng.

She walks to the door. She opens the door. She cannot speak! It is Wu Qingfeng!

"How are you?" Wu says softly.

"I am fine," Feifei cries. "Do you remember me?"

"Of course. I remember you. Forgive me, please. I just..." he says.

"I know. It's your parents. They ask you to leave me," says Feifei.

"I miss you. I try to find you. I ask around. Now I make it," says Wu.

Feifei's life is terrible. After he leaves, she cries sadly. Once she sees him on television. He is a famous singer. She loves his music. Her dream is to meet him again. Now, the dream is true.

She asks, "Why are you here?"

"A friend tells me your address. I wait for you here. In the evening, I see you. You drink too much. I put you on your bed. I sleep on the sofa," he says.

Feifei is silent. She drinks because she is not with him. She can't live without him. Wu Qingfeng is her world. When he leaves, she can do nothing.

"You can leave now. I'm okay. If your parents know, they are angry again."

"I never leave you again," he says. "Feifei, listen. I don't want to leave. My mother is very ill. She needs me. She only has one wish. She wants me to marry another girl. I love you. I leave my home. I cannot meet you. I work hard. I hope to marry you one day. Now, I can give you a home."

Feifei says nothing. She feels great surprise.

Wu Qingfeng says, "I come. I want to say I love you."

"I'm always here. I don't want to lose you again. You're my whole world, Wu!" Feifei cried.

Their love moves their parents. Several months later, they marry. They live a happy life. They never leave each other.

### Exercises

1 These words are not spelled correctly. Spell each word correctly.

[A] selent \_\_\_\_\_ [B] whloe \_\_\_\_\_ [C] remeber \_\_\_\_\_

[D] litsen \_\_\_\_\_ [E] talavision \_\_\_\_\_

2 Each sentence below has one mistake. Find the mistakes and correct them.

[A] Feifei wake up. Mistake = \_\_\_\_\_ Correct = \_\_\_\_\_

[B] They ask you leave me. Mistake = \_\_\_\_\_ Correct = \_\_\_\_\_

[C] I miss for you. Mistake = \_\_\_\_\_ Correct = \_\_\_\_\_

[D] She cries sad. Mistake = \_\_\_\_\_ Correct = \_\_\_\_\_

[E] I hope to marry with you one day. Mistake = \_\_\_\_\_ Correct = \_\_\_\_\_

3 Are these statements true or false? If a statement is false, change it so it is true.

[A] Wu Qingfeng leaves Feifei because he does not love her. \_\_\_\_\_

[B] Feifei wants to be a famous singer like Wu. \_\_\_\_\_

[C] Wu goes back to marry Feifei after he breaks up with another girl. \_\_\_\_\_



4 Write answers to these questions.

[A] Do you think Wu Qingfeng loves Feifei? Give reasons?

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[B] You are Wu Qingfeng. Your parents ask you to leave Feifei. What do you do? Why?

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### Answers

- 1 [A] silent [B] whole [C] remember [D] listen [E] television
- 2 [A] Feifei wakes up. [B] They ask you to leave me. [C] I miss you. [D] She cries sadly.  
[E] I hope to marry you one day.
- 3 [A] False. Wu Qingfeng leaves Feifei because his parents ask him to leave her. [B] False. Wu Qingfeng is a famous singer. Feifei likes him. [C] False. Wu does not fall in love with other girls.
- 4 [A] I think Wu loves Feifei. First, after he leaves her, he does not fall in love with other girls. Second, he goes back to marry her after he becomes famous. Third, although his parents are not happy, he still wants to live with her. [B] I will stay with Feifei. Because I love her. She means everything to me. Although my parents are not happy about that, I can talk with them, and they will try to accept us.

# 6

## The Fish

Peng Cheng 彭程

### Words and Expressions

Sea World 海洋世界

tank 鱼缸, 水槽

goldfish 金鱼

guest 客人

calm 冷静, 淡定

accident 意外

pretty 漂亮的; 可爱的; 优美的; 漂亮的人

happily 高兴地

invites 邀请; 请

shocked 惊讶的; 震惊的

poor 贫穷的; 可怜的

hang 挂; 悬挂

anxious 焦虑的; 担忧的

pretend 假装

calm 冷静; 淡定

accident 意外

as they grow 随着他们成长

chat with 与.....交谈; 与.....聊天

talk about 谈论某事

### Text

"Happy Birthday, Jia Xin, " everybody says.

Today is Jia Xin's birthday. "You are thirteen, my pretty girl," Jia Xin's mother says.

"Thank you, Mom" Jia Xin says happily.

Her mother says, "Let's go to SeaWorld."

Jia Xin says, "Oh! Really, let's go now."

Ten minutes later, they reach SeaWorld. Jia Xin is very excited. There are many fishes. They are cute and colorful.

After the visit, Jia Xin buys two goldfishes. She really loves these two little things. Her father buys a fish tank. He puts the tank on the table. It is by the wall. Every day Jia Xin feeds the goldfishes. She likes to see them. She feels happy as they grow.

Jia Xin's father invites his friend to visit. The guest brings a beautiful picture. Jia Xin's father puts the picture on the table. He chats with his friend. They talk about their families and children. Jia Xin's father looks at the picture. It is very colorful. It has two goldfishes. He thinks Jia Xin likes it. He picks up the picture. He looks at the wall. He forgets the fish tank. The tank falls. It breaks. Two goldfishes die. He is shocked. He knows Jia Xin is returning. He doesn't know what to

do. He cleans the floor. He throws the poor dead fish away. He hangs the picture on the wall. He sits on the sofa. He is anxious. He pretends to be calm.

Jia Xin returns from school. She sees the beautiful picture. She doesn't see her goldfishes. She asks "Dad, where are the goldfishes?"

"Honey, I am sorry. I kill them."

"Oh! You kill them?"

"An accident."

Jia Xin says, "I am very sad."

Her father says "I know, sweet heart. Sorry. Do you see the picture, Jia Xin?" "Oh yes, I can see that, it is very pretty."

Jia Xin's father says, "What can you see in the picture?"

Jia Xin says happily, "Oh! I can see two goldfishes."

Her father says, "Yes, they are now in the picture."

Jia Xin says slowly, "Yes, dad, I believe you."

Although Jia Xin looks sad, but she feels better.

### Exercises

1 Read the questions and choose the correct answer.

[A] How old is Jia Xin?

A Twelve                      B Thirteen                      C Fourteen                      D Fifteen

[B] How many goldfishes did Jia Xin buy?

A One                      B Two                      C Three                      D Four

[C] Who bought the picture?

A Jia Xin's father      B Jia Xin's mother      C Jia Xin                      D The guest

2 Read the following statements and. Are they True or False. Put "T" or "F" in the brackets.

[A] Jia Xin went to SeaWorld only with her father. ( )

[B] The guest killed the two goldfish. ( )

[C] When Jia Xin heard the bad news, she cried and couldn't forgive the "killer." ( )

3 Fill in the missing words.

The guest [A] \_\_\_\_\_ (bring) a beautiful picture. Jia Xin's father puts the picture [B] \_\_\_\_\_ the table. He chats [C] \_\_\_\_\_ his friend. They talk about their families and children. Jia Xin's father looks at the picture. It is very [D] \_\_\_\_\_ (color). It has two [E] \_\_\_\_\_ (goldfish).

4 Write your own idea.

If your favorite thing is broken by your father or mother. Will you forgive them?

Answers

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**Answers**

1 [A] B	[B] B	[C] D		
2 [A] F	[B] F	[C] F		
3 [A] brings	[B] on	[C] with	[D] colorful	[E] goldfishes

# 7

## Sharing Is Happiness

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Shen Xing 沈幸

### Words and Expressions

happiness 快乐

live with 和...生活在一起

grandparents 祖父母

mountain 山

secret 秘密

special 特别的

can get things from 能  
从...拿到东西

countries 国家 (复数形式)

want to see 想要看

different 不同的

cave 洞穴

lead the way 带路

wait for 等待

know you have 知道你有...

have a question for you 有

一个问题问你

only show it to 只给...看它

have to choose 必须选择

understand 理解；懂

sharing 分享

together 一起

### Text

Mei Mei is a little girl. She lives in a small village. She lives with her grandparents. Her parents work in a big city. Mei Mei's home is near the mountain. She plays with her friends every day.

One day, Mei Mei goes to the mountain. She is with her friends. They know a secret. There is a map. It is about a special bag. It can get things from other countries. They never leave their village. They want to see different things.

Mei Mei reads the map. She leads the way. They find a cave. It's behind a rock. Mei Mei is brave. She goes into the cave. The cave is dark. Mei Mei walks inside. The cave becomes bright. Mei Mei sees an old man. He sits and drinks tea.

Mei Mei asks, "Why are you here?"

"I am waiting for you," he answers.

"How do you know I am coming?" Mei Mei asks.

"I am a god. I know you have the map. You want to see the special bag," he says.

"Yes, I do! Please show me!" Mei Mei says.

"Sure. But I have a question for you," the old man says. "I only show it to one person. Your friends want to see it. You want to see it too. You have to choose."

Mei Mei loves her friends. She says, "I don't want to see the special bag. I like playing with my friends."

The old man smiles. He says, "You are a good girl. You understand sharing. I give this special bag to you. Go enjoy it with your friends."

Mei Mei is happy. She leaves the cave. Her friends are very happy. They like interesting things from other countries. They have a happy day together.

### Exercises

1 Are these statements true or false? If a statement is false, change it so it is true.

- [A] Mei Mei lives with her parents. \_\_\_\_
- [B] Mei Mei's home is near the mountain. \_\_\_\_
- [C] Mei Mei's friends walk into the cave. \_\_\_\_
- [D] Mei Mei sees an old man. \_\_\_\_
- [E] Mei Mei doesn't understand sharing. \_\_\_\_

2 Write answers to these questions.

- [A] Why does the old man know Mei Mei is coming? \_\_\_\_\_
- [B] What is the question that the old man asks Mei Mei? \_\_\_\_\_
- [C] What do you learn from this story? \_\_\_\_\_

3 These words are not spelled correctly. Spell each word correctly.

- [A] spaciell \_\_\_\_\_ [B] montain \_\_\_\_\_ [C] sceret \_\_\_\_\_ [D] deffrent \_\_\_\_\_
- [E] intreesting \_\_\_\_\_ [F] undestend \_\_\_\_\_ [G] caev \_\_\_\_\_ [H] firend \_\_\_\_\_

4 Each sentence below has one mistake. Find the mistake and correct it in each sentence.

- [A] They want see different things. Mistake = \_\_\_\_\_ Correct = \_\_\_\_\_
- [B] She goes the cave. Mistake = \_\_\_\_\_ Correct = \_\_\_\_\_
- [C] The cave become bright. Mistake = \_\_\_\_\_ Correct = \_\_\_\_\_
- [D] Why you are here? Mistake = \_\_\_\_\_ Correct = \_\_\_\_\_
- [E] I am not want to see the special bag. Mistake = \_\_\_\_\_ Correct = \_\_\_\_\_

## Answers

- 1 [A] F Mei Mei lives with her grandparents. [B] T [C] F Mei Mei walks into the cave. [D] T [E] F  
Mei Mei understands sharing.
- 2 [A] Because he is a god. [B] He only shows it to one person. Mei Mei's friends want to see it. Mei  
Mei wants to see it too. She has to choose. [C] We should share with our friends.
- 3 [A] special [B] mountain [C] secret [D] different [E] interesting [F] understand [G] cave [H]  
friend
- 4 [A] They want **to** see different things. [B] She goes **into** the cave. [C] The cave **becomes** bright.  
[D] Why **are you** here? [E] I **do** not want to see the special bag.

# 8

## Su Mo's Travel

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Xin Yu 辛瑜

### Words and Expressions

country 乡村	mountain 山	field 牧野, 旷野	island 岛屿
ship 船	pictures 图片	follow 跟着	by ship 坐船
stay at home 待在家里	live with 与...住在一起	too young to 太小而不能...	
stay at 待在	put her feet in 把她的脚放入	soon goes to sleep 很快睡着了	
runs to 朝...跑去			

### Text

Su Mo is a girl. She lives with her mother in the country. There is a mountain there. It isn't very high. Su Mo often goes to the mountain. There are many birds there. She listens to the birds. Su Mo has a cat and a dog. She often plays with them.

Su Mo loves sitting in the field. She likes watching the stars and moon. She likes telling stories to her dog. At night, her mother reads to her. There are pictures in the books. She is too young to go to school. She stays at home. Her father works on an island. He often writes letters to her. The letters tell her the island is beautiful. Su Mo wants to visit her father.

"Can I go to the island?" Su Mo says.

"It is not possible," her mother says. "You must stay at home."

Su Mo wants to visit the island. She wants to visit her father.

She leaves her home. She walks to the town. People in the town can help her. They can drive her to the sea. Then she can go to the island by ship.

She walks. Her dog and cat follow her. She sees a river. There are many small fishes in the river. She puts her feet in the river. The water is cold. The weather is very hot. Su Mo wants to rest. The cat plays near the water. The dog sits by her. She soon goes to sleep.

A man is fishing. He sees the girl. Su Mo's dog sees the man. It runs to him. Su Mo opens her eyes.



"What are you doing?" the man asks.

"I am resting. I want to find my father. Please take me to town," Su Mo says. "I want people to help me. My father is working on the island."

"I have a car. I can help you," the man says

Su Mo follows him. After several hours they reach the sea.

There is an island in the sea. Su Mo takes a ship to the island.

Her father waits for her.

### Exercises

1 Write answers to these questions

[A] Where does Su Mo's father work? \_\_\_\_\_

[B] How does Su Mo go to the island? \_\_\_\_\_

2 These words are not spelled correctly. Spell each word correctly.

[A] ountainm \_\_\_\_\_ [B] theraew \_\_\_\_\_ [C] lisand \_\_\_\_\_ [D] ledif \_\_\_\_\_

3 Are these statements true or false? If a statement is false, change it so it is true.

[A] Su Mo is old enough to go to school. \_\_\_\_\_

[B] Su Mo lives with her grandparents. \_\_\_\_\_

[C] Su Mo's mother doesn't want her to go to the island. \_\_\_\_\_

[D] Su Mo goes to the sea by herself. \_\_\_\_\_

4 Retell the text.

### Answers

1 [A] in an island. [B] By ship 2 [A] mountain; [B] weather; [C] island; [D] field

3 [A] F Su Mo is too young to go to school. [B] F Su Mo lives with her mother [C] T [D] F Su Mo goes to the sea with the help of a stranger.

4 Su Mo is a little girl who lives with her mother, she wants to go to an island to find her father. With the help of a stranger, she gets to the sea, and she takes a ship to the island.

# 9

## My Past

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Zhang Shuxian 张姝娴

### Words and Expressions

moment 时刻	university 大学
praise 表扬	university entrance exam 高考
awards 奖励	know my past 了解我的过去
beat 打	work hard 努力学习, 努力工作
explain 解释	middle school 初中
communication 交流	high school 高中
argument 争吵	get good grades 取得好成绩
support 支持 v. 支持	pay no attention 不在意, 不注意某事
quit 放弃	make friends with him 和他做朋友
fall 下降, 降落	sit beside me 坐在我旁边
smoke 抽烟	cheat on the exam 在考试中作弊
boring 无聊的	allow me to explain 允许我解释
positive 积极的, 进取的	

### Text

People think I am a good girl. They do not know my past.

I work hard in middle school. I study every moment. I want to get good grades. I want praise and awards. I enjoy that feeling.

My classmate, Zhang Lei, is different. He pays no attention to study. He makes poor grades. Then his father beats him. I don't make friends with him. A bad thing still happens.

We have an exam. He sits beside me. He turns to copy my answer. I try to stop him. It doesn't work. The teacher sees.

"You two! Cheat on the exam! Leave! Now!"

"I didn't!"

"I see you! Go out!" She says. She doesn't allow me to explain.

Zhang Lei doesn't care. I am angry. The next day all the students know. They think I am a "cheating thief." They don't make friends with me. They leave me alone. Teachers think I am a bad student. I don't know what to do.

I hate Zhang Lei. I hate school. I am not a good student. I go out with friends. I smoke. I

drink. My parents are angry. I try to avoid them. Our communication is argument. I cannot find support. I want to be accepted.

Two years pass. My grades fall. I enter high school. No one knows my past. Nobody laughs at me. I stop seeing bad friends. I have a new beginning.

Study is hard but good. Classmates study together. Teachers help me. I think my past life is boring. This is the real me. I am positive. I realize how important teachers are. I decide to be a teacher.

I do well on the university entrance exam. I enter a good university. I find a good life.

### Exercises

1 Match the characters with their behavior.

- |                                |                                      |
|--------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| [A] me                         | cheating in the exam                 |
| [B] Zhang Lei                  | feel angry with Zhang Lei's behavior |
| [C] my teachers in high school | helping me                           |

2 Are these statements True or False? If true, mark "T"; if false, mark "F."

- [A] I don't like studying at the beginning of school. ( )      [B] Zhang Lei is a good student. ( )  
[C] I don't do well on the University Entrance Exam. ( )  
[D] I stop seeing bad friends in high school. ( )

3 Some words below are not spelled correctly. Find and correct them.

- [A] momant \_\_\_\_\_ [B] quait \_\_\_\_\_ [C] praise \_\_\_\_\_ [D] explain \_\_\_\_\_  
[E] University \_\_\_\_\_ [F] Intrance Exam \_\_\_\_\_ [G] support \_\_\_\_\_

4 Answer the questions.

- [A] Why are the teachers so angry with me on the exam? \_\_\_\_\_  
[B] Does Zhang Lei pay attention to his study? Why? \_\_\_\_\_  
[C] What is my behavior after the teacher was angry? \_\_\_\_\_

## Answers

- 1 me feel angry with Zhang Lei's behavior  
Zhang Lei cheating in the exam  
my teachers in high school helping me in high school
- 2 [A] F [B] F [C] T [D] T
- 3 [A] momant (moment) [B] quait (quit) [C] praise (✓) [D] explein (explain)  
[E] University Intrance Exam (University Entrance Exam) [F] support (✓)
- 4 [A] Because the teachers think I cheat.  
[B] No, he doesn't. Because he doesn't care about his grade.  
[C] I am angry. I don't want to be a good student.

# 10

## Puppy Love

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Wei Yuke 魏玉珂

### Words and Expressions

use 使用	outside 外面	by the road 在路边
rule 规则	progress 进步	concentrate on 专心于
miss 想念	warm-hearted 好心的	get along well with 与.....相处好
break 打破, 破坏	close friend 亲密的朋友	be grateful for 对.....感激
notice 注意到	past things 过去的事情	
become 成为	sit alone 单独坐着	
refuse 拒绝	tell jokes 讲笑话	

### Text

I become a high school student. I am fifteen years old. I sit alone by the door. I do not talk to anybody.

There is a rule in my school. Students cannot use a phone. But I take my phone to class. I talk with my mother every day. On Friday, the Teacher hears me using my phone. He says, "What are you doing? Are you using your phone? Do not break school rules!"

"Sorry, I will not do it again," I reply.

One day, I miss my mother very much. I cry. A boy comes to me. He asks, "Why are you crying?"

"I miss my mother," I say.

He takes me outside. We walk by the road. He says, "I understand you. But we study here. Can you study now?"

"No," I answer.

"I am your friend. I want you to be better."

On hearing that, my tears run down. We become close friends.

He notices that I sit alone. He asks to be my deskmate. I am good at math. He does well in English. That is good for our progress. Every day we go to school together. We become closer. He is very kind and warm-hearted. He also gets along well with other girls. I feel angry sometimes. Suddenly he says, "I love you."

I am shocked. We are too young. Study is the most important task. I refuse him.

Next year, we are in different classes. We do not talk about past things.

Two years later, we got to college. I only meet him in winter. We are still close friends.

I am grateful for his help.

### Exercises

1 Are the statements true or false? If a statement is false, change it so it is true.

[A] The girl accepts the boy's love. \_\_\_\_\_

[B] The girl and boy are close friends today. \_\_\_\_\_

[C] The boy helps the girl by telling jokes. \_\_\_\_\_

[D] The girl finds another boyfriend. \_\_\_\_\_

2 These words are not spelled correctly. Spell each word correctly.

[A] knaw \_\_\_\_\_ [B] alane \_\_\_\_\_ [C] phane \_\_\_\_\_ [D] minatue \_\_\_\_\_

[E] friend \_\_\_\_\_ [F] concentrate \_\_\_\_\_ [G] fifteen \_\_\_\_\_ [H] collage \_\_\_\_\_

3 Answer these questions.

[A] Why does the girl cry in the classroom? \_\_\_\_\_

[B] What is the school rule? \_\_\_\_\_

[C] How does the boy help the girl? \_\_\_\_\_

[D] The boy tells the girl he loves her. What does the girl do? What does she say? Why?

\_\_\_\_\_

4 Each sentence below has one mistake. Find the mistakes and correct them.

[A] There is a rules in my school. Mistake = \_\_\_\_\_ Correct = \_\_\_\_\_

[B] After hear that, he takes me outside. Mistake = \_\_\_\_\_ Correct = \_\_\_\_\_

[C] I start to concentrate my study. Mistake = \_\_\_\_\_ Correct = \_\_\_\_\_

[D] He get along well with other girls. Mistake = \_\_\_\_\_ Correct = \_\_\_\_\_

## Answers

- 1 [A] F The girl does not accept the boy's love.
- [B] T
- [C] F By taking her outside and talking to her.
- [D] F The text does not tell us.
- 2 [A] know
- [B] alone
- [C] phone
- [D] minute
- [E] friend
- [F] concentrate
- [G] fifteen
- [H] college
- 3 [A] Because she misses her mother very much.
- [B] The students may not bring phones to school.
- [C] He takes her outside and talks to her.
- [D] She says no. She thinks that they are too young and study is the most important thing for them.
- 4 [A] There is a rule in my school.
- [B] After hearing that, he takes me outside.
- [C] I start to concentrate on my study.
- [D] He gets along well with other girls.

# 11

## Do Good Things

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Li Rui 李蕊

### Words and Expression

snow 雪, 下雪

worry 担心

wakes up 醒来

clean 打扫

money 金钱

cry 哭

maybe 可能

buy 买

weather 天气

brackets 括号

owner of 主人

doing good things 做好事

road 路

does not think so 不这么认为

nice food 好吃的食物

it is hard to find 很难找到

laughs 笑

reaches school early 早到校

### Text

Li Ting is a little girl. It is morning. She wakes up. Her mother says, "It is snowing."

She loves snow. After eating, she goes to school. When she walks, she sings.

She meets her best friend. His name is Li Hua. They walk together. She finds something in the snow. It looks like money. She runs and Li Hua follows her. It is 300RMB.

Li Hua says, "We can buy many things."

Li Ting does not think so. She says, "Someone loses their money. He worries. We must find that person. We must return the money. "

Li Hua agrees. But it's hard to find the person.

They walk to school. Most students do not come. An old man cleans the snow. He reaches school early. The weather is cold. Li Ting and Li Hua have nothing to do. They help the old man. They talk to the old man. The man cries. They do not know why he cries.

"Why do you cry?" Li Ting asks the old man.



The man says, "I lose my money. I want to buy food."

Then Li Ting says, "How much money do you lose?"

"Three hundred *yuan*," the man says.

Li Ting asks the old man, "Where do you lose the money?"

"Maybe on the road to school," the man answers.

Li Ting and Li Hua laugh. Li Ting says, "We find your money."

Li Hua runs into the classroom. He takes the money. He gives the money to the old man.

The man laughs, too.

Li Ting goes home after school. She tells her mother this story. Her mother says, "Good!"

Her mother buys nice food for her. Li Ting has a good day.

Doing good things is great.

### Exercises

1 Look at the pictures. Write the words.



\_\_\_\_\_



\_\_\_\_\_



\_\_\_\_\_



\_\_\_\_\_



\_\_\_\_\_



\_\_\_\_\_

2 Write a word in each blank. Choose: buys, worries, cleans, weather.

[A] The old man loses his money. He \_\_\_\_\_ a lot.

[B] Li Ting's mother \_\_\_\_\_ food for her, because Ting does good thing.

[C] The \_\_\_\_\_ is cold.

[D] The old man \_\_\_\_\_ the snow.

3 Each sentence has one mistake. Find the mistakes and correct them.

[A] The old man lose his money. Mistake = \_\_\_\_\_ Correct = \_\_\_\_\_

[B] Li Ting likes sing. Mistake = \_\_\_\_\_ Correct = \_\_\_\_\_

[C] There are many money. Mistake = \_\_\_\_\_ Correct = \_\_\_\_\_

4 Are these statements true or false? Put "T" or "F" in the brackets.

[A] Li Ting find 200 RMB. ( )

[B] Li Ting and Li Hua find the owner of the money. ( )

[C] The old man is a teacher, not a cleaner. ( )

[D] Ting doesn't tell her mother the story. ( )

### Answers

1 money snow food laugh cry road

2 [A] worries [B] buys [C] weather [D] cleans

3 [A] The old man loses his money. [B] Li Ting likes singing. [C] There is much money.

4 [A] F [B] T [C] F [D] F

# 12

## My Friend and I

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Ning Hanyao 宁翰瑶

### Words and Expressions

middle school 中学

useful 有用的

think about 考虑

surprised 惊讶的, 吃惊的

gift 礼物

angry 生气的

birthday 生日

explain 解释

shop 商店

lie 撒谎

important 重要的

feel really sad 感觉真的很伤心

notebook 笔记本

letter 信

warm words 温暖的话

phone number 电话号码

draw 绘画

lose my best friend 失去了我最好的朋友

picture 图画

mistake 错误

true feelings 真实的感受

make this mistake 犯这种错误

true 真实的

choose 选择

feeling 感受, 感觉

circle 圈出

It's so nice of you. 你真好

sentence 句子

friendship 友谊

correct order 正确的顺序

classmate 同学

## Text

I am in middle school. I have a good friend. Her name is Liu Tong. I want to buy a gift. Her birthday comes soon. I go to many shops. I think about a gift. She is important to me. I want to make her happy. I buy a gift. It is a beautiful notebook. I write something in the notebook. I write warm words. I draw some pictures. I tell her my true feelings. The notebook is beautiful. Our friendship is also beautiful. I give the notebook to her. She smiles happily.

"Thank you, I really like it! This is the best gift!" she says happily.

I leave.

Li Xiang is one of our classmates. She gives Liu Tong a gift, too. I come back in a few minutes. They don't see me. I listen.

"Oh, it's so nice of you! I like your gift best!" says Liu Tong.

Li Xiang says, "Really? Don't you like that notebook?"

"I don't like it very much. It's not useful for me. I really like your pen!" says Liu Tong.

I am behind the door. I am angry. I walk to Liu Tong. She is very surprised. Her face is red. She tries to explain. I don't listen.

"Why do you lie? You don't like it. Give it back. I feel really sad. Our friendship ends!" I say angrily.

"Please..."

I don't listen to her. I leave.

She sends me a letter. I don't read it. I put that letter away. We don't talk. She goes to another city. I am very surprised. I run home quickly. I find the letter. I read it. She says that she is sorry. Li Xiang is sad. Liu Tong just wants to make her happy. I am surprised.

I call Liu Tong. No one answers. She has a new phone number. I can't find her.

I lose my best friend. I feel sad. I feel sorry. I will not make this mistake again.

## Exercises

1 Choose the right answers.

[A] Before Liu Tong's birthday, I buy a \_\_\_\_\_ for her.

A bag      B notebook      C pen

[B] My best friend's name is \_\_\_\_\_.

A Liu Tong      B Li Xiang      C Wang Tong

[C] Does Li Xiang give Liu Tong a gift?

A Yes.      B No.      C I don't know.

[D] Liu Tong goes to another \_\_\_\_\_.

A country      B school      C city

[E] Liu Tong wants to make Li Xiang \_\_\_\_\_.

A sad      B happy      C angry

2 Circle the right answers.

[A] Liu Tong sends a to me. I don't read it. (letter; notebook)

[B] Li Xiang is one of our. (teachers; classmates)

[C] In Liu Tong's letter, she says she is. (sorry; happy)

[D] In another city, Liu Tong has a new. (phone number; friend)

[E] I lose my best. I feel sorry and sad. (gift; friend)

3 The words in these sentences are not in the correct order. Put them in the correct order.

[A] \_\_\_\_ "This is the best gift!" she happily says.

[B] \_\_\_\_ Liu Tong just wants make her to happy.

[C] \_\_\_\_ Li Xiang says, "Don't you that like notebook?"

[D] \_\_\_\_ She has a new number phone.

[E] \_\_\_\_ I not will make this mistake again.

4 Write answers to these questions.

[A] What do I write on the notebook? \_\_\_\_\_

[B] What does Liu Tong say when I give her the notebook? \_\_\_\_\_

[C] Where am I when Liu Tong talks to Li Xiang? \_\_\_\_\_

[D] Liu Tong tries to explain. Do I listen? Why? \_\_\_\_\_

[E] Why does Liu Tong want to make Li Xiang happy? \_\_\_\_\_

## Answers

1 [A] B

[B] A

[C] A

[D] C

[E] B

2 [A] letter

[B] classmates

[C] sorry

[D] phone number

[E] friend

3 [A] "This is the best gift!" she says happily.

[B] Liu Tong just wants to make her happy.

[C] Li Xiang says, "Don't you like that notebook?"

[D] She has a new phone number.

[E] I will not make this mistake again.

4 [A] I write warm words on the notebook.

[B] Liu Tong says, "Thank you, I really like it! This is the best gift!"

[C] I am behind the door.

[D] I don't listen. Because I am very angry.

[E] Because Li Xiang is sad.

# 13

## Where is Anan?

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Hu Anqi 胡安琪

### Words and Expressions

move to 搬去	at the same place 同一个地点	daughter 女儿
building 建筑	not there 不在那里, 不在...	sob 啜泣, 呜咽
begin 开始	head teacher 班主任	in front of ... 在...前面
education 教育, 学校生活	worry 担心	go inside ... 进...里面
meet 在...等, 接送	husband 丈夫	be together 在一起
hold 握着, 牵着	tell ... the truth 事实, 真相	each other 每一个人, 对方
get lost 走丢	only once 一次	at once 立刻
second 第二的	everyone they meet 他们遇	blanks 填空
wait for 等待...	见的每一个人	statement 论断
stand 站在	what should I do 我该怎么办	correct 修改

### Text

Anan is a six-year-old girl. She moves to a new place. There are many people and buildings. She begins her education. She walks to school. It takes fifteen minutes. Her mother meets her. She holds Anan's hand. She does not want Anan to get lost.

It is the second day. Mother waits for Anan. She stands at the same place. All the children are gone. Anan is not there. Mother goes to the classroom. She finds Anan's head teacher. The teacher says Anan is gone. Mother worries. She calls her husband. She tells him the truth. Both worry about Anan.

Anan is only six years old. She walks to school only once. They think she is lost. They look for her. They ask everyone they meet. No one says they see Anan. "I lose my daughter. What should I do? Who can help me?" Mother sobs.

One hour passes. They do not find Anan. They return home. They find Anan! She sits in front of the door. Anan says, "I sit here for one hour! Nobody is at home."

Anan is safe. Mother sobs, "Where do you go? We think you are lost. We look for you. We worry about you."

The three laugh. Then they go inside the house. They are happy to be together. They love each other.

### Exercises

1 Fill in the blanks.

- [A] Anan is a \_\_\_\_ -year-old girl.      [B] Mother comes to ask \_\_\_\_\_ at once.  
[C] Anan is found after \_\_\_\_ hour.      [D] Mother tells her \_\_\_\_\_ the truth that Anan is lost.  
[E] Mother \_\_\_\_\_ Anan's hands because she doesn't want Anan to get \_\_\_\_.

2 Are these statements true or false? If it is false, please circle the mistake, and correct it.

- [A] It takes Anan fifty minutes to walk to school. \_\_\_\_\_  
[B] Anan walks to school three times. \_\_\_\_\_  
[C] Mother doesn't meet Anan on the second day. \_\_\_\_\_  
[D] Mother comes to ask Anan's math teacher. \_\_\_\_\_  
[E] Anan waits her parents for one hour and a half. \_\_\_\_\_  
[F] Mother is angry when she finds Anan. \_\_\_\_\_  
[G] Anan is found in school. \_\_\_\_\_

3 These words are not spelled correctly. Change them so they are correct.

- [A] buiding \_\_\_\_\_      [B] edacation \_\_\_\_\_      [C] meit \_\_\_\_\_  
[D] haed teachre \_\_\_\_\_      [E] worry \_\_\_\_\_      [F] husbend \_\_\_\_\_  
[G] tuth \_\_\_\_\_      [H] nce \_\_\_\_\_      [I] doughter \_\_\_\_\_  
[J] soub \_\_\_\_\_      [K] insaide \_\_\_\_\_

4 These sentences are not in the correct order. Put them in the correct order.

- [A] \_\_\_\_ Anan not is here.  
[B] \_\_\_\_ The all children are gone.  
[C] \_\_\_\_ They go the house inside.  
[D] \_\_\_\_ She sits the door in front of.  
[E] \_\_\_\_ They ask everyone meet they.



## Answers

1 [A] six [B] head teacher [C] one [D] husband [E] holds, lost

2 [A] It takes Anan fifty minutes to walk to school. fifteen

[B] Anan walks to school three times. one

[C] Mother doesn't meet Anan on the second day.

[D] Mother comes to ask Anan's math teacher. head

[E] Anan waits her parents for one hour and a half. /

[F] Mother is angry when she finds Anan. happy

[G] Anan is found in school. at home

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[A] building

[B] education

[C] meet

[D] head teacher

[E] worry

[F] husband

[G] truth

[H] once

[I] daughter

[J] sob

[K] inside

4 [A] Anan is not here.

[B] All the children are gone.

[C] They go inside the house.

[D] She sits in front of the door.

[E] They ask everyone they meet.

# 14

## A Boy in the River

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Zhang Shuwei 张书薇

### Words and Expressions

shout 叫喊	agree 同意	那里
miss 错过	together 一起	first meet 第一次见
farmer 农民	live on 住在	cannot leave 不能离开
mountain 山	same place 相同的地方	miss the show 错过这场秀
drawing 绘图	decide to do 决定去做	go to other place 去其他的
boat 船	drive ones car to 开某人的	地方
alone 独自	车去	go back home 回家
wet 湿的	stop on the way 在中途停下	agree to spend more time
family 家	drive fast 开得快	同意花更多的时间
leave 离开	why he is there 他为什么在	

### Text

Ming is a farmer. He lives on a high mountain top. He has a friend, Qing. They are from the same place. They both like drawing. They decide to watch a show together.

Qing drives his car to Ming's home. He stops on the way. He wants to buy some food. He drives near a river. A boy is in the river. The boy shouts. Qing hears him. The boy can't swim. There is no boat. Qing drives fast to Ming's home. He tells Ming about the boy in the river. They go to the river together. Ming takes the child out of the water. They move the boy to the car. The boy should be warm. They ask him how he feels. The boy says nothing. The boy looks better. The boy says why he is there. His parents tell him, "The river is a good place. You can have fun there."

His parents first meet near the river. His parents have no time now. They are busy with their work. His family never goes out together. He goes alone. The boy calls his parents. He asks them to take him home. Qing, Ming, and the boy wait for his parents.

A girl comes. She says that she is the boy's friend. His parents are busy. They can't leave their work. They give the child to the girl. The boy and his friend leave.

They miss the show. Ming is wet. They don't want to go to other places.

They decide to go back home. They tell the story to their families. They all agree to spend more time with their children. They then often do things together.

### Exercises

1 Are these statements true or false? If a statement is false, change it so it is true.

[A] Qing saved the boy in the river. \_\_\_\_\_

[B] Qing and Ming miss the show. \_\_\_\_\_

[C] The boy leaves with his parents. \_\_\_\_\_

2 Match the characters with the phrases below.

[A] Qing can swim well

[B] the girl goes to the river alone

[C] Ming wants to buy some food

[D] the boy is the friend of the kid

3 Write answers to these questions.

[A] Did Qing and Ming watch the show? Why? \_\_\_\_\_

[B] Why did the little boy go to the river alone? \_\_\_\_\_

4 These words are not spelled correctly. Spell each word correctly.

[A] gose \_\_\_\_\_ [B] laeve \_\_\_\_\_ [C] framer \_\_\_\_\_

[D] monutain \_\_\_\_\_ [E] beter \_\_\_\_\_ [F] rivar \_\_\_\_\_

### Answers

1 [A] F Ming saved the boy in the river. [B] T [C] F The boy leaves with his friends

2 [A] Qing can swim well [B] the girl goes to the river alone

[C] Ming wants to buy some food [D] the boy is the friend of the kid

3 [A] No, because they saved a boy. And they missed the time.

[B] His parents first meet near the river. And his parents tell him, "The river is a good place. You can have fun there."

4 [A] goes [B] leave [C] farmer [D] mountain [E] better [F] river

# 15

## An Unforgettable Experience

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Wang Xiru 王西茹

### Words and Expressions

sometimes 有时候	climb 攀登	while 一段时间
villager 村民	shake 摇动	appear 出现
fresh 新鲜的	fall 落下	selfish 自私的
steal 偷盗	bark 吠叫	honest 诚实的
join 参加	worried 担心的	touched 受感动的
joyfully 快乐地	wake 醒来	reply 回答
none 没有人	angrily 生气地	forgive 原谅

### Text

I'm not a bad child. But I make mistakes sometimes.

A villager has a fruit tree. I love eating fresh fruit. It is in May. Some children want to steal fruit. I join them. We pass fields and a river. We walk and then see a tree. "Oh! So much fruit!" we shout joyfully.

None of us can climb the tree. We shake it. Some fruit falls. We laugh even louder. A dog begins to bark. The dog is in the owner's yard.

A man comes "What are you doing?" he shouts.

He is tall and strong. We run away. I run home. I feel worried.

Next morning, Grandma wakes me up. She says angrily, "Who teaches you to steal things? Tell me! Shame on you!" Her eyes turn red.

I am afraid. I begin to cry and run away. I hate that bad man. He must know me. Why must he tell this to Grandma? I am a little child. I just steal some fruit. I must find him.

I go to the big tree. He doesn't come. I keep waiting. Then I feel tired. I sleep under the tree. After a while, someone wakes me up. I open my eyes. It is Grandma!

"Why are you here?" she asks.

"I want to find that bad man," I say.

"Why?" Grandma asks.

I look at her. I say, "He tells you I steal fruit. You are unhappy. I hate him."

"Does he come?" Grandma says.

"No," I shake my head.

Grandma laughs. "The man does nothing wrong," she says.

"He is selfish. I just steal some fruit," I say.

Grandma says, "I want you to be honest. So does he. He helps you to be honest."

I am touched, "Sorry, Grandma. I know I am wrong. I hope you can forgive me."

She smiles. I know she can forgive me. We go home happily.

I often talk about this with Grandma.

### Exercises

1 These words are not spelled correctly. Spell each word correctly.

[A] villiage \_\_\_\_\_

[B] barke \_\_\_\_\_

[C] friut \_\_\_\_\_

[D] appaer \_\_\_\_\_

[E] fogive \_\_\_\_\_

[F] woried \_\_\_\_\_

[G] stear \_\_\_\_\_

[H] selfesh \_\_\_\_\_

2 Choose the best answers for the following questions

[A] Who do I steal fruit with? ( )

A some other children

B my grandma

C myself

[B] What dose the man look like? ( )

A tall

B short and thin

C tall and strong

[C] Grandma wakes up. How does she feel? ( )

A angry

B happy

C not mentioned

[D] I keep waiting for that "bad" man under a tree. What happens next? ( )

A The man comes.

B I eat some fruit.

C I fall asleep.

[E] What is the ending of the story? ( )

A The man doesn't come. I go home alone.

B Grandma forgives me and we go home.

C Grandma comes and scolds me.

3 The words in these sentences are not in the correct order. Put them in the correct order

[A] can climb the tree us none of \_\_\_\_\_

[B] Grandma must he tell to this why \_\_\_\_\_

[C] often about with I Grandma talk this \_\_\_\_\_

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4 Answer the following questions

[A] How do we get the fruit? \_\_\_\_\_

[B] Where does Grandma find me? What am I doing? \_\_\_\_\_

[C] Am I a bad child? Give two reasons. \_\_\_\_\_

### Answers

1 [A] village [B] bark [C] fruit [D] appear [E] forgive [F] worried [G] steal [H] selfish

2 A C A C B

3 [A] None of us can climb the tree. [B] Why must he tell this to grandma?

[C] I often talk about this with grandma.

4 [A] We shake the tree. [B] Grandma finds me under the tree. I am sleeping.

[C] -1- She doesn't mean to hurt others. -2- She can correct her mistakes.

# 16

## A Girl

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Lei Kexin 雷可心

### Words and Expressions

happy family 快乐的家庭

watch TV 看电视

parent 父母

sometimes 有时

belly 腹部

turn off 关闭

in her mother's belly 还在妈妈的肚子里(指的

pretend 假装

是晨曦还没有出生的时候)

grade 成绩

kick 踢

have good grades 取得好成绩

in several months 几个月后

grow up 长大

on a table 在桌子上

boyfriend 男朋友

doll 娃娃

at university 在大学

jump from the sofa to the floor 从沙发上跳到

love each other 彼此相爱

地上

childhood 童年

go to school 去上学

obey 遵守

expect to 期盼

obey rules 遵守规则

study well 学习好

listen to others 听从别人的建议

give her a quiet time 给她留下一个安静的环

encourage 鼓励

境

marry 结婚

do homework 写作业

### Text

Chen Xi is strange. She lives in a happy family. Her parents are very kind.

Xi is in her mother's belly. She kicks her mother. Her mother hurts. She is born in several months. Her parents put her on a table. There are things on it. She doesn't choose dolls. She chooses a boy's toy.

She is older. She likes to climb. She enjoys jumping. She jumps from the sofa to the floor. She likes to climb and run.

She goes to school. Her parents expect her to study well. Her parents leave the house. They give her a quiet time. They want her to do her homework. Sometimes Chen Xi watches TV. Her parents come back. She turns it off. She sits quickly. She pretends to study. Chen Xi is smart. She has good grades.

She grows up. She finds a boyfriend at university. They love each other. They talk about everything. Chen Xi tells her childhood to her boyfriend. He thinks Chen Xi is strange. He wants her to be better. For a long time, Chen Xi's boyfriend helps her. He helps her obey rules. He teaches her to listen to others. They study and encourage each other. They become better people.

Chen Xi marries her boyfriend. They have a happy life.

### Exercises

1 These words are not spelled correctly. Spell each word correctly

- [A] kick \_\_\_\_\_ [B] obey \_\_\_\_\_ [C] beyll \_\_\_\_\_  
[D] childhodo \_\_\_\_\_ [E] encouraeg \_\_\_\_\_

2 Write correct words in the blanks below. Choose from these words:

pretend, obey, encourage, grade, family.

- [A] Teachers \_\_\_\_\_ their students to think carefully.  
[B] Boys \_\_\_\_\_ they did not break the window.  
[C] Work hard and you will get good \_\_\_\_\_.  
[D] You must \_\_\_\_\_ her without question.  
[E] I live in a happy \_\_\_\_\_.



3 Are these statements true or false? If a statement is false, change it so it is true.

[A] Chen Xi is a strange girl. \_\_\_\_\_

[B] Chen Xi lives in a sad family. \_\_\_\_\_

[C] Chen Xi's parents are not very kind. \_\_\_\_\_

[D] Chen Xi chooses a doll when she is a little baby. \_\_\_\_\_

[E] She is a quiet girl and she doesn't like climbing and jumping. \_\_\_\_\_

[F] Chen Xi is a stupid girl and she gets bad grades at school. \_\_\_\_\_

[G] Chen Xi's boyfriend helps her change a lot at university. \_\_\_\_\_

[H] Chen Xi marries her boyfriend and they have a happy life. \_\_\_\_\_

4 Write answers to these questions.

[A] Do you think Chen Xi is a good girl? Why or why not? \_\_\_\_\_

[B] You do not study. Is it OK to tell your parents you are studying? \_\_\_\_\_

[C] What can you learn from this text? \_\_\_\_\_

### Answers

1 [A] kick [B] obey [C] belly [D] childhood [E] encourage

2 [A] encourage [B] pretend [C] grade [D] obey [E] family

3 [A] T

[B] F Chen Xi lives in a happy family.

[C] F Chen Xi's parents are very kind.

[D] F Chen Xi doesn't choose a doll when she is a little baby.

[E] F She likes climbing and jumping.

[F] F Chen Xi is a smart girl and she gets good grades at school.

[G] T

[H] T

# 17

## The King

Qiu Yining 邱益宁

### Words and Expressions

fall 秋天／落下

start 开始

many of them 它们中的许多

sing 歌唱

dream about 梦到

country 王国

wake up 醒来

field 田野

gold 金的，金色的

cough 咳嗽

king 王

at night 在晚上

order 命令，让

nothing else 没什么别的事

complain 抱怨

wind 风

hard 难的

make him sick 让他觉得难受

hard to carry 难以扛动的

can't reach the water 碰不到水面

follow orders 遵命

come here 过来

must 必须

stand there 站在那里

reply 回答

can do anything 可以做任何事情

color 颜色

care about 关心

color of the sun 太阳的颜色

yourself 你自己

move 移动，搬

little 区区的

outside 在外面

understand 理解

under the sun 在阳光下

sigh 叹气

dark 黑暗的

turn 转身

run away 跑开

animal 动物

run after 跑在之后

anyone 任何人

sick 难受的

all he has 他的所有

anything 任何事情

correct 正确的, 改正

snow 下雪

aloud 大声地

have nowhere to go 没有地方可去

### Text

It's late fall. Leaves are gold. Many of them fall. The lion sleeps in his bed. He dreams about a gold bed. He wakes up. He thinks, "I want that bed."

He orders birds to make a bed. The birds complain. They need to carry many gold leaves. They fly to the king's house. The leaves are bigger than the birds. They are hard to carry.

A dog, Qiao, sees it. He asks, "Why are you carrying leaves?"

"We are following orders. We must make a gold bed. King wants that," the birds reply.

"A gold bed? The color of the sun?"

"Yes!"

"Why don't you move his bed outside? The house is big and dark. Move it to the field. It's gold under the sun," Qiao says.

The birds start singing. They fly through the country. They fly into the king's house. They move his bed outside. They move it to the field. The king hears birds. They are talking about Qiao.

At night, the king coughs. He is not strong. He likes to sleep in the house. He likes to enjoy good food. He does nothing else. The cold wind makes him sick.

The king sees Qiao. Qiao helps a white horse. The horse wants to drink water. He is very tall. He can't reach the water. "Qiao, come here!" the king says.

Qiao stands there. He looks at the king's face. "I know you don't like me. You think you can do anything. You only care about yourself," Qiao says.

"Of course, I can! I am the king! You want to be the king, right? You are only a little dog!" The king says.

"You don't understand." Qiao sighs. He turns and runs away.

The king runs after him. The dog runs very fast. It is dark and cold. It begins to snow. The king has nowhere to go. He doesn't know where other animals live. He can't go to anyone's house.

He has no friends. All he has is the cold land. There's no love for him.

### Exercises

1 Are the sentences below correct? If not, correct them.

[A] Leave are gold. \_\_\_\_\_

[B] Why doesn't you move his bed outside? \_\_\_\_\_

[C] Qiao is helps a white horse. \_\_\_\_\_

[D] He likes to enjoy good foods. \_\_\_\_\_

[E] He not strong. \_\_\_\_\_

2 Read the sentences below aloud.

[A] "We are following orders. We must make a gold bed."

[B] "Of course I can! I am the king! You want to be the king, right? You are only a little dog!"

[C] "You don't understand."

3 Put the sentences in the correct order.

[A] \_\_\_\_ The king coughs at night.

[B] \_\_\_\_ Qiao runs away with the white horse.

[C] \_\_\_\_ Birds fly into the king's house.

[D] \_\_\_\_ The white horse drinks water from the river.

4 Who is more like a king? Qiao or the lion? Why?

\_\_\_\_\_

### Answers

- 1 [A] Leaves are gold.  
[B] Why don't you move his bed outside?  
[C] Qiao is helping a white horse.  
[D] He likes to enjoy good food.  
[E] He is not strong.

2 C—A—D—B

# 18

## A White Dog

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Wang Yanqi 王琰琦

### Words and Expressions

soft 柔软的

hard 困难的

a bit 一点

bone 骨头

lovely 可爱的

snowball 雪球

special 特殊的

train 火车, 训练

treat 对待, 款待

change 改变, 变更

another 又一个, 另一个

friendly 友好的, 亲密的

resemble 与...相像, 类似于

look like 看起来像

decide to 决定去

think about 思考

play with it 和它一起玩

stay with it 和它待在一起

take good care 悉心照顾

keep near it 和它保持近距离

be its friend 做它的朋友

does not agree 不同意

he knows that 他知道

### Text

I have a little dog. It is white and a bit fat. It has big eyes. Its nose is small. It looks like a toy. It resembles a snowball. I like its round, soft body. Playing with it makes me happy. I want to be its friend and stay with it. It is cute and friendly. It is my lovely friend.

The dog is a gift. Father wants me to be happy. He knows that I like dogs. He buys a dog to me. I like it very much. I want to sleep with it. Father does not agree. It stays in another room. It sleeps there at night. It wakes up early everyday

My life changes. I give it a special name. I want it to live a long time. Mother does not like dogs before. Now, she takes good care of it. She gets up early in the morning. She gives food to my dog. It likes bones and apples. Mother gives it an apple everyday Sometimes she talks to it. She loves it. It often stays with Mother. My dog makes me happy. It makes Mother happy, too.

My dog is growing quickly. It is harder to hold it. I decide to train it. I play games with it at home. The weather is warm. So I take it outside to play. It likes to play in the park. There are many dogs in the park. It plays with them happily. My dog runs on the ground. I keep near it. It likes to lie on the grass. I like to lie with it. We often play in the sun. I have much fun.

My dog is eight months old now. I often think about the future. I have many things to do. I want to travel with my dog. It is part of my family.

### Exercise

1. Are these statements true or false? If a statement is false, change it so it is true.

[A] The little dog is black and a bit fat.

[B] Mother buys a dog for me.

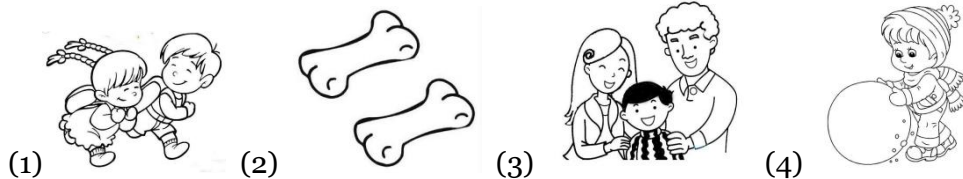
[C] I sleep with the little dog.

[D] My dog often stays with Mother.

[E] My dog is growing slowly.

2 Match the words with the pictures.

A. bone      B. snowball      C. friend      D. family



3 The words in these sentences are not in the correct order. Put them in the correct order.

[A] It a resembles snow ball.

[B] Playing it with makes me happy.

[C] It is lovely my friend.

[D] Father wants to me be happy.

[E] Now, she takes care good of it.

4 Write correct words in the blanks below. Choose from these words.

My dog is growing quickly. It is harder to hold it. I decide to train it. I play games with it at home. The weather is [A] \_\_\_\_\_. So I take it outside to play. It likes to play in the park. There are many dogs in the park. It plays with them happily. My dog runs on the ground. I keep near it. It likes to [B] \_\_\_\_\_ on the grass. I like to lie [C] \_\_\_\_\_ it. We often play in the sun. I have much fun.

My dog is eight months old now. I often think about the future. I have many things to do. I want to travel with my dog. It is part of my [D] \_\_\_\_\_.

### Answers

- 1 [A] The little dog is white and a bit fat.  
[B] Father buys a dog for me.  
[C] I never sleep with the little dog.  
[D] ✓  
[E] My dog is growing quickly.

- 2 A bone---(2) B snowball---(4) C friend---(1) D family---(3)

- 3 [A] It resembles a snow ball.  
[B] Playing with it makes me happy.  
[C] It is my lovely friend.  
[D] Father wants me to be happy.  
[E] Now, she takes good care of it.

- 4 [A] warm [B] lie [C] with [D] family

# 19

## A Dog

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Chen Minjun 陈敏君

### Words and expressions

earn 赚得, 获得

cry 哭泣

lonely 孤独的

work hard 努力工作

feed 喂养

earn money 挣钱

happen 发生

stay with 陪伴

early 提早

best friend 好朋友

reply 回答

take care of 照顾

send 送

bad thing happens 不好的事情发生了

follow 跟随

know what to say 知道该说些什么

usual 通常的

have courage 有勇气

courage 勇气

choose to let it go 选择让它离开

die 死亡

### Text

Yueyue's father dies. Her mother doesn't cry. She has a daughter. She works hard to earn money. Yueyue is lonely.

One day, her mother gives Yueyue a dog.

"Let this dog stay with you," she says.

Yueyue likes the dog. She calls it Beibei.

Beibei is Yueyue's best friend. After school, Yueyue takes care of it. She feeds it. She plays with it. She thinks Beibei is her family. She is not lonely.

One day, a bad thing happens. Yueyue comes home early. Her mother is at home. Beibei



isn't at home.

"Where is Beibei?" she asks.

"You don't study much. You often play with the dog. I send it to my friend," her mother replies.

Yueyue doesn't know what to say.

Yueyue is lonely again. She studies at home. Her mother thinks it is good. Yueyue uses more time to study. She doesn't know Yueyue cries at night.

Later, Beibei comes home.

Her mother is angry.

"It can't be Beibei! I sent it to my friend. It can't find the way home!" she says.

"It is Beibei!" Yueyue cries.

Her mother lets Yueyue keep the dog.

Yueyue does everything with Beibei as usual. The dog follows her everywhere.

Sadly, her mother says, "I walks the dog, but it runs away."

Yueyue doesn't cry. She doesn't know the truth.

She never says she is lonely. She just smiles.

One day, she goes out with a friend. The friend knows about Beibei.

They see a dog. It looks like Beibei.

"Is that Beibei?" the friend says.

"No. It is not Beibei. Let's go," Yueyue and her friend leave. Yueyue doesn't look at the dog.

Yueyue knows she has no courage. She can't give the dog a home. She chooses to let it go.

You learn to give up something. You grow up.

### **Exercises**

1 Match the characters with the phrases below.

[A] Yueyue's mother a dog

[B] Yueyue a lonely girl

[C] Beibei a single mother

2 Why does Yueyue's mother send Beibei to her friend? Write your answer to this question.

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3 Are these statements true or false? If a statement is false, change it so it is true.

[A] Yueyue doesn't like Beibei. \_\_\_\_\_

[B] Yueyue's mother likes Beibei. \_\_\_\_\_

[C] Yueyue's mother sends Beibei to her mother. \_\_\_\_\_

[D] Beibei comes back home. \_\_\_\_\_

4 These words are not spelled correctly. Spell each word correctly.

[A] arne \_\_\_\_\_ [B] lyenol \_\_\_\_\_ [C] eefd \_\_\_\_\_ [D] nepaph \_\_\_\_\_

[E] rlaey \_\_\_\_\_ [F] pelry \_\_\_\_\_ [G] edns \_\_\_\_\_ [H] lolowf \_\_\_\_\_

[I] sulua \_\_\_\_\_ [J] uregaoc \_\_\_\_\_

### Answers

1 [A] Yueyue's mother a single mother [B] Yueyue a lonely girl [C] Beibei a dog

2 She thinks that Yueyue uses too much time to play with Beibei.

3 F T F T

4 [A] earn [B] lonely [C] feed [D] happen [E] early [F] reply [G] send  
[H] follow [I] usual [J] courage

# 20

## Momo

Pan Yuhua 潘昱含

### Words and Expressions

little adj. 年幼的, (年龄) 小的	before adv. 先前, 从前	play games 玩游戏
answer v. 回答	help v. 帮助	after school 放学
question n. 问题	problem n. 问题	laugh at 嘲笑...
after prep. 在...之后	sing v. 唱 (歌)	looks at 看...
together adv. 一起, 共同	gone adj. 消失了的	What is happening? 发生什 么了?
talk v. 说, 谈论, 讨论	dream n. 梦, 梦想	I must. 我必须 (要这么做)。
brave adj. 勇敢的	talk less 少说话	...dream is over ...的梦做完 了
than conj. 比...	do more 多做事	
	talk much 说话较多	

### Text

There is a little boy. His name is Momo. Momo is not like other boys. He doesn't answer questions in class. Few students hear his voice.

What do other boys do after class? They play games and talk together.

What about Momo?

He sits. He watches them play and talk. Momo doesn't say a word after school. He has no friends. Children in class don't like Momo.

His father gives him a name. He wants him to talk less. He wants him to do more. Momo doesn't talk much at home. He knows it is a problem. People laugh at him. He doesn't know what to do. He wants to talk. He just can't.

Momo wants to be brave. He needs help. Momo walks. He looks at the trees. He finds something interesting. The trees are less green than before. One of the trees is talking!

"Please help me," says one tree.

"What is happening? You can talk?" Momo says.

"I must," answers the tree.

"What's wrong with you?" asks Momo.

"What should I do?" Momo asks again.

"I know you have a problem," the tree says.

"How do you know?" asks Momo.

"We can help each other," the tree says.

"I'll try my best," answers Momo.

"It's easy, just sing," the tree says.

Momo sings. Then he asks for the tree's help. But the tree is gone.

Then, Momo's dream is over. He opens his eyes. He can talk with people now.

### Exercises

1 Listen and read the following words. Give their Chinese meanings.

- |                  |                    |
|------------------|--------------------|
| [A] little _____ | [B] together _____ |
| [C] talk _____   | [D] brave _____    |
| [E] help _____   | [F] laugh at _____ |
| [G] dream _____  | [H] look at _____  |

2 There are three questions here. Choose the best answer for each.

- |                                    |             |                   |                   |
|------------------------------------|-------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| [A] Which character has a problem? | a. the tree | b. Momo's father  | c. Momo           |
| [B] Who gave Momo a name?          | a. Momo.    | b. Momo's father. | c. We don't know. |
| [C] Can Momo talk at the end?      | a. Yes.     | b. No.            |                   |

3 Read the sentences below. Write T(true) or F(false) after each sentence.

- [A] Momo's classmates like him. \_\_\_\_
- [B] Momo doesn't want to talk to people. \_\_\_\_
- [C] There are many characters in this text: Momo, Momo's brother, Momo's classmates, and the tree. \_\_\_\_

4 Work in pairs. Do you like Momo? Discuss with your partner.

### Answers

- |                           |                     |                    |
|---------------------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| 1 [A] little 年幼的, (年龄) 小的 | [B] together 一起, 共同 | [C] talk 说, 谈论, 讨论 |
| [D] brave 勇敢的             | [E] help 帮助         | [F] laugh at 嘲笑... |
| [G] dream 梦, 梦想           | [H] look at 看...    |                    |
| 2 [A] C                   | [B] B               | [C] B              |
| 3 [A] F                   | [B] T               | [C] F              |

# 21

## Good Friends

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Ge Yimin 葛以敏

### Words and Expressions

river n. 河流	take good care of 悉心照顾	making problems for me 给我制造麻烦
spend v. 度过；花费	strong adj. 强壮的	
change v. 改变；变化	mountain n. 山；山脉	do not have time for you 没有时间应付你
decide v. 决定；下决心	money n. 钱；货币	
get off 从...下来；下车	Why are you here? 你为什么在这里?	leave v. 离开
apartment n. 公寓		field n. 牧场
puppy n. 小狗	I miss you! 我想你!	care for 照顾

### Text

Wang Qiang is a little boy. He lives in the mountains. His good friend is the rain. Rivers and fishes are also his friends. He loves his friends. He spends time outside. He is changing. He spends less time with his friends.

Why does he change?

There are many children in his town. They know about big cities. Qiang doesn't know about big cities. He wants to know more. His mother works in a city. He wants to go there. He wants to see his mother.

Wang Qiang takes a job. He makes some money. He saves some. He decides to go there. He decides to see his mother.

He gets off a bus. He walks to his mother's apartment.

His mother opens the door, "Wang Qiang! Why are you here?"

Wang Qiang says, "I love you, Mother. I miss you! I am here to see you!"

"Oh, no! You are making problems for me! I am so busy. I am busy making money. I do not have time for you! Here is some money. Take it and go home!" his mother says.

Wang Qiang feels sad. He takes the money and leaves.

He is going home. He sees an old man. The old man sells puppies.

"I have some money now. These puppies are like me. No one cares for them. I'm going to

care for one!" Wang Qiang thinks.

He brings the smallest one home. He names it Huahua.

He takes good care of Huahua. He runs in the rain with Huahua. He plays in the field with Huahua. They are good friends!

Huahua is soon big and strong. Wang Qiang is happy.

Qiang finds a good friend!

### Exercise

1 Which answer is correct?

[A] Wang Qiang lives in... (a) a big city (b) the mountains (c) Japan (d) a small city

[B] Wang Qiang goes to see his mother by...

(a) taxi (b) bus (c) horse (d) bicycle

2 Fill the gaps with the correct words: for, at, in, with, of, off, on, about, away, by

[A] They know \_\_\_\_\_ big cities.

[B] He gets \_\_\_\_\_ a bus.

[C] He takes good care \_\_\_\_\_ Huahua.

3 Spell the words correctly.

[A] chenge \_\_\_\_\_ [B] strang \_\_\_\_\_ [C] apartment \_\_\_\_\_

[D] fiold \_\_\_\_\_ [E] decise \_\_\_\_\_

4 Put the sentences in the correct order.

[A] \_\_\_\_\_ Wang Qiang sees his mother.

[B] \_\_\_\_\_ Wang Qiang gets on a bus.

[C] \_\_\_\_\_ Mother is unhappy.

[D] \_\_\_\_\_ Mother tells Qiang to go home.

[E] \_\_\_\_\_ Huahua is strong.

[F] \_\_\_\_\_ Qiang buys a puppy.

### Answers

1 [A] b [B] b

2 [A] about [B] on [C] of

3 [A] change [B] strange [C] apartment [D] field [E] decide

4 B, A, C, D, F, E

# 22

## Better Life

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Tian Liting 田立婷

### Words and Expressions

small 小的

get up 起床

town 城镇

has to 不得不

finish 完成

stop doing 停止做某事

travel 旅行

go to school 去上学

children 孩子们

ask sb. to do 要求某人做某事

hundred 百

play with sb. 和某人一起玩

spend 度过

need to 需要做...

like to 喜欢做...

be late for... 做某事迟到

succeed in 在...方面成功

serve people 服务人

begin to 开始做...

large eating place 大饭馆

take care of 照顾...

live with...和某人一起居住

care about 关心...

### Text

There is girl in a small town. Her name is Liu Yuling. She is ten years old. Her family has no money. Her mother leaves her family. Her father begins to drink. He also likes to sleep.

Liu Yuling is a very good student. She likes school. Her father gives her no money. She gets up early every day. She has to finish many things. She is often late for school. She stops going to school.

Yuling's friends ask her to play. She can't. She helps people get money. She needs to take care of children. She plays with them. She makes food for them. She reads books to them. The

children love her. She spends ten hours working every day. She gets one hundred RMB every week.

Several years pass. She goes to a city. She wants more money. She wants a better life. She comes to a big world. She can change her life. First, she serves people. It is a large eating place. Her family is poor. She often

sends money to her family. She works very well. She uses some money to study. She goes to a night school. She studies harder than others.

After finishing school, she can teach children. She comes back to her small town. She tells her family to live with her. She often takes her family to travel. She likes spending time with them. Her hard work makes their life happier.

She loves a man. He works with her. They marry after a year. They live a good life. She is a good teacher. She cares about her students. She succeeds in teaching them.

Why does her life get better? Because she works hard. She changes her life.

### Exercises

1 Match two parts of the sentences.

- |                                       |                         |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------------|
| [A] Liu Yuling goes to a city         | a) to teach.            |
| [B] Liu Yuling stops going to school  | b) to live with her.    |
| [C] Liu Yuling goes to a night school | c) to study.            |
| [D] Liu Yuling likes                  | d) to get more money.   |
| [E] Liu Yuling tells her family       | e) to finish housework. |

2 Complete the sentences. The words from the box will help you.

hundred
small
travel
working
teach

- [A] Liu Yuling comes from a \_\_\_\_\_ town.
- [B] After finishing school, she can \_\_\_\_\_ children.
- [C] She gets one \_\_\_\_\_ RMB every week.
- [D] She loves a man \_\_\_\_\_ with her.
- [E] She often takes her family to \_\_\_\_\_.



3 Answer the questions.

[A] Why does her mother leave her family? \_\_\_\_\_

[B] What does Liu Yuling do after she goes to a big city?

\_\_\_\_\_

[C] Who does Liu Yuling marry? \_\_\_\_\_

4 What part of the story do you like best? Why? \_\_\_\_\_

### Answers

- 1 [A] Liu Yuling goes to a city to get more money.  
[B] Liu Yuling stops going to school to finish housework.  
[C] Liu Yuling goes to a night school to study.  
[D] Liu Yuling likes to teach.  
[E] Liu Yuling tells her family to live with her.
- 2 [A] small  
[B] teach  
[C] hundred  
[D] working  
[E] travel
- 3 [A] Because her family has no money.  
[B] She serves people in a large eating place and goes to a night school.  
[D] She marries a man working with her.
- 4 Various.

# 23

## Beautiful Nana

Wang Mengting 王孟婷

### Words and Expressions

beautiful 美丽的；出色的	first prize 一等奖	No, not perhaps 不,不是也
round 圆的	nobody can see me 没有人	许
shout 呼喊；喊叫；大声说	可以看到我	Alarm clock rings 闹钟响了
wonder 想知道；惊讶	Is this what I want? 这是我	Am I really...? 我真的.....?
go up to 前往；走上前去	想要的吗?	Why can...? 为什么可
wake up 醒来	can sing better 唱得更好	以.....?
understand 理解；懂得	clap 鼓掌，拍手	proper words 正确的单词
voice 声音；嗓音	attends 出席，参加	
competition 比赛，竞赛	becomes famous 变得有名	

### Text

Nana is ten years old. She has big eyes. She has long black hair. Her face is round. It looks like a red apple. She is not tall and thin. She thinks she is not beautiful.

She says to her mother, "I am ugly. My classmates don't like playing with me."

Her mother says, "Don't worry. You are the best girl."

Nana does not believe her. She goes to her room. She writes, "I hope nobody can see me."

The second day, Nana wakes up. She can't find her shoes.

She shouts, "Mom! I can't find my shoes! Where are my shoes? Please help me!"

Nobody answers.

She wonders, "Where is Mom. Is she busy?"

She leaves her room. Her mother is making breakfast.

"Mom! Are you busy? I am talking to you," she says loudly.

Her mother is busy with breakfast. She does not see her.

Nana goes up to her dad. He is watching TV. He doesn't answer her.

She cries, "They can't see me! Why they can they not see me? Mom! Dad! What can I do?"

Nana runs out of her home. She goes to her school. She meets her friends. They can't see her. She stops crying.

"Is this what I want? I don't want anybody to see me. I am not beautiful. Is this why I am unhappy?" she thinks.

It is time for music class. Her classmates go to the music room. She goes to the room. Li Ling sings an English song. She doesn't sing very well.

Nana thinks, "I can sing better. I can't sing in front of people. They laugh at me. I am not beautiful like Li ling."

"Nobody can see me now. They also can't hear me!" Nana thinks. She stands in front of students. She starts singing.

"This is Mama, kind and dear. This is Papa, standing near..."

She finishes singing. Many students clap.

"What a good voice! You sing very well, Nana," Mrs. Liu says and smiles.

Li Ling gives her a big smile, "You are a good singer, Nana! You are so beautiful! Can we sing together?"

Nana wonders, "What? Why can they see me? Am I really a good singer? Am I really beautiful? Am I ..."

The alarm clock rings. Nana wakes up.

"What a beautiful dream! Perhaps I am beautiful. No, not perhaps. I am really beautiful!" Nana thinks.

Three days later. Nana attends the singing competition. She wins first prize. She becomes famous.

### Exercises

1 Fill in the blanks with the words below.

school      tall      beautiful      good      shoes

[A] She is not \_\_\_\_\_ and thin.

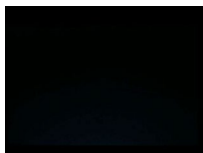
[B] She can't find her \_\_\_\_\_.

[C] She goes to her \_\_\_\_\_.

[D] You are a \_\_\_\_\_ singer.

[E] Nana! You are so \_\_\_\_\_!

2 Choose the right answer according to the pictures



( )

- A. black      B. bloke      C. white



( )

- A. applo      B. apple      C. apfle



( )

- A. sun      B. sing      C. sin



( )

- A. alarm cloak      B. alarm      C. alarm clock



( )

- A. breakfast      B. breakfast      C. braekfast

3 Make a sentence with each word below.

[A] beautiful \_\_\_\_\_

[B] wake up \_\_\_\_\_

[C] go up to \_\_\_\_\_

[D] shout \_\_\_\_\_

[E] understand \_\_\_\_\_

4 Fill in the blanks with the right form of the proper words.

[A] She \_\_\_\_\_(have) long black hair.      [B] Nana \_\_\_\_\_(do) not believe her.

[C] She \_\_\_\_\_(go) to her room.      [D] She starts \_\_\_\_\_(sing).

[E] Li Ling \_\_\_\_\_(give) her a big smile.

## Answers

1 [A] tall [B] shoes [C] school [D] good [E] beautiful

2 A B B C A

3 [A] Nana is beautiful.

[B] I wake up early today.

[C] Nana goes up to her dad.

[D] Please don't shout to me.

[E] I can understand you.

4 [A] has [B] does [C] goes [D] singing [E] gives

# 24

## The Final Exam

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Yang Liuxin 杨柳新

### Words and Expressions

friend 朋友

teacher 老师

sing 唱歌

carefully 认真地

draw 画画

sleep 睡觉

study 学习

finish 完成

sad 悲伤的

homework 作业

come 来

hard 努力地

time 时间

speak 讲

should 应该

class 班级

final 最后的

gradually 渐渐地

say 说

understand 理解 明白

bad 坏的

happy 高兴的

news 新闻 消息

easy 简单的

first 首先

learn 学习

right 正确的

impossible 不可能的

dream 梦想

pass 通过

must 必须

exam 考试

practice 练习

agree. 同意

suggest 建议

wait 等待

idea 主意 想法

will 将要

early 早地

there 这里

listen 听

way 方式

score 得分; 分数

high 高的

proud 自豪的

make 制作

themselves 他, 她们自己

parents 父母

surprised 惊奇的

unhappy 不开心的

cheat 欺骗

please 请

on prep. 在...时候

believe 相信

ask 问

again 再一次

such 这样的

success 成功	give up 放弃	pass the final exam 通过期末考试
suspect 怀疑	agree with sb 同意某人	
good friends 好朋友	practice doing something 练习做某事	believe sb 相信某人
listen to 听		all right 好吧
like doing something 喜欢做某事	get up 起床	pays off 有回报
	be proud of 对什么感到自豪	Our work pays off. 付出就会有回报。
study hard 努力学习	read books 读书	
feel sad 感到悲伤	be surprised 对什么感到惊奇	Where there is a will, there is a way. 有志者，事竟成。
in class 在课堂上	cheat on the exam 在考试中作弊	
bad news 坏消息		
say to sb 给某人说	stop doing sth 停止做某事	
	want to do 想要做某事	

### Text

Yang Xin and Lu Pengxue are good friends. Xiao Xin likes singing. Xiao Xue likes drawing. They don't study well. They feel sad.

"What should we do? I am so sad. The final exam is coming. I don't have time to sing. You do not have time to draw," Xiao Xin says.

"It is bad news. I think we should study first," Xiao Xue says.

"You are right. Giving up my dream is impossible," Xiao Xin says.

"We must study. Then we can practice singing or drawing," Xiao Xue suggests.

"Good idea," Xiao Xin says.

Xiao Xin and Xiao Xue get up early. They read books. They listen to the teachers carefully. They only sleep when they finish homework. They study hard. The teachers speak in class. Gradually, they understand the teachers.

"I am happy. It is easier for us to learn," Xiao Xin says to Xiao Xue.

"Yes. We must study hard. We must pass the final exam," Xiao Xue says.

"I agree," Xiao Xin says.

"Do not wait. Let's study," Xiao Xue says.

"OK," Xiao Xin says.

Where there is a will, there is a way. Xiao Xin and Xiao Xue pass the final exam. They score ninety. They are proud of themselves.

Their teacher, Zhang Hui, is surprised. "Do you cheat on the final exam?" Miss Zhang asks.

"No," Xiao Xin says.

"How do you get such high scores?" the teacher asks.

"We study hard. We get up early and study. We stop singing and drawing. We want to pass the final exam. We do not want to make our parents unhappy. Teacher, please believe us," Xiao Xue says.

"All right, I believe you," Miss Zhang says.

Xiao Xin and Xiao Xue are happy. They can do what they like again.

Our work pays off. Success needs hard work.

### Exercises

1 Are these statements true or false? If a statement is false, change it so it is true.

[A] Yang Xin and Lu Pengxue are good friends. \_\_\_\_\_

[B] Xiao Xin likes drawing. Xiao Xue likes singing. \_\_\_\_\_

[C] Xiao Xin and Xiao Xue give up their dream. \_\_\_\_\_

[D] Xiao Xin and Xiao Xue get up early to study. \_\_\_\_\_

[E] They do not listen to the teacher carefully. \_\_\_\_\_

[F] They study hard to practice drawing and singing. \_\_\_\_\_

[G] They do not pass the final exam. \_\_\_\_\_

[H] They get high marks. Their teacher is surprised. \_\_\_\_\_

[I] The teacher believes them finally. \_\_\_\_\_

[J] After the final exam, they sing and draw again. \_\_\_\_\_

2 The words in these sentences are not in the correct order. Put them in the correct order.

[A] What we do should? \_\_\_\_\_

[B] We singing and drawing then practice can. \_\_\_\_\_

[C] They to listen carefully the teacher. \_\_\_\_\_

[D] It easier is to learn for us. \_\_\_\_\_

[E] Must the final exam pass we pass. \_\_\_\_\_



- [F] There a will is where, is way there a. \_\_\_\_\_
- [G] Themselves proud are of they. \_\_\_\_\_
- [H] Get how you do high scores such? \_\_\_\_\_
- [I] Make we do want not to our unhappy parents. \_\_\_\_\_
- [J] What they do can like they again. \_\_\_\_\_

3 Who said the sentences below? Write the character's name before each sentence

- [A] \_\_\_\_\_ I think we should study first.                      [B] \_\_\_\_\_ I don't have time to sing.
- [C] \_\_\_\_\_ Giving up my dream is impossible.                      [D] \_\_\_\_\_ Do you cheat on the final exam?
- [E] \_\_\_\_\_ Then we practice singing and drawing.                      [F] \_\_\_\_\_ It is easier for us to learn.
- [G] \_\_\_\_\_ We do not want to make our parents unhappy.
- [H] \_\_\_\_\_ How do you get such high marks?                      [I] \_\_\_\_\_ We stop singing and drawing.
- [J] \_\_\_\_\_ We must pass the final exam.

4 Write answers to these questions.

- [A] Xiao Xin and Xiao Xue know that the final exam is coming. What do they do? \_\_\_\_\_
- [B] Does the teacher believe them at first? Explain. \_\_\_\_\_
- [C] How do they make progress? \_\_\_\_\_
- [D] What does it mean? "Where there is a will, there is a way." \_\_\_\_\_
- [E] When the teacher suspects (怀疑) they cheat on the final exam, what does Xiao Xue say?

\_\_\_\_\_

## Answers

1 T F F T F T F T T T

2 [A] What should we do?

[B] Then we can practice singing and drawing. Or Then we can practice drawing and singing.

[C] They listen to the teacher carefully.

[D] It is easier for us to learn.

[E] We must pass the final exam.

[F] Where there is a will, there is a way,

[G] They are proud of themselves.

[H] How do you get such high scores?

[I] We do not want to make our parents unhappy.

[J] They can do what they like again.

3. [A] Xiao Xue

[B] Xiao Xin

[C] Xiao Xin

[D] Miss Zhang (the teacher)

[E] Xiao Xue

[F] Xiao Xin

[G] Xiao Xue

[H] Miss Zhang (the teacher)

[I] Xiao Xue

[J] Xiao Xue

4. [A] They stop singing and drawing. They start to study.

[B] No, she doesn't. Xiao Xin and Xiao Xue get high marks and pass the final exam. They used to get low marks.

[C] They get up early and read books. They listen to the teachers carefully. They only sleep when they finish homework. They study hard.

[D] If you try your best to do something, you can make a difference.

[E] Xiao Xue says, "we study hard. We get up early and study. We stop singing and drawing. We want to pass the final exam. We do not want to make our parents unhappy. Teacher, please believe us."

# 25

## A Little Girl and Her Dog

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Yang Yutong 杨羽彤

### Words and Expressions

tail 尾巴	play with 与...一起玩
moment 片刻；时刻	go to bed 上床睡觉
decide 决定	wake up 醒来；起床
miss 想念	take care of 照顾
alone 单独的；独自的 adv.单独地；独自地	pet dog 宠物狗
should 应该	drive to 开车去

### Text

Li Wei is a little girl. She likes dogs. She wants to have a dog. She is six. Her father buys her a pet dog. It is black and white. It has a very short tail. She names it---Qi Qi.

The family lives in a big city. Li Wei's school is far from her home. Her father drives her to school. They drive past many trees. Beautiful birds are in the trees. Li Wei misses her pet dog. Qi Qi misses Li Wei at home.

School ends at five every day. Li Wei returns home at six. Qi Qi hears her master's foot-steps. It runs to the door. Li Wei opens the door. She calls her dog's name. Oh! It is a happy moment.

Every day Li Wei comes home from school. She plays with Qi Qi. Her mother is a little angry. She says, "You should finish your homework. Then play with the dog."

Li Wei says, "Don't worry, Mother. I always finish my homework."

It is time to go to bed. Li Wei sleeps with her little dog. They wake up together in the morning. They are close friends.

One day, she wakes up. She decides to take Qi Qi with her. Li Wei puts Qi Qi in her schoolbag. Her father drives her to school. Qi Qi makes a noise. Her father understands. He knows Li Wei wants to be with the dog.

He smiles. He says, "Dogs cannot go to school. You should study in school."

Li Wei thinks. She says, "OK. Please take good care of Qi Qi. Now I go to school alone."

## Exercises

1 Are these statements true or false? If a statement is false, change it so it is true.

[A] Qi Qi is a brown dog.

[B] Li Wei likes Qi Qi very much.

[C] Li Wei takes Qi Qi to school.

2 These words are not spelled correctly. Spell the words correctly.

[A] tial \_\_\_\_\_ [B] fthaer \_\_\_\_\_ [C] finash \_\_\_\_\_

[D] decied \_\_\_\_\_ [E] noise \_\_\_\_\_

3 Do the multiple choice.

[A] Qi Qi is a \_\_\_\_ A cat B dog C bird

[B] School ends at \_\_\_\_ A four o'clock B six o'clock C five o'clock

[C] Why does the little girl want to take her dog to school?

A Because she doesn't want to go to school.

B Because the teacher tells her to.

C Because she wants to be with her dog.

4 Who says the sentences below? Write the person's name in front of what they said.

[A] \_\_\_\_\_ "You should finish your homework. Then play with the dog."

[B] \_\_\_\_\_ "Now I go to school alone."

[C] \_\_\_\_\_ "You should study in school."

## Answers

1 [A] F. Qi Qi is a black and white dog [B] T [C] F Li Wei doesn't take Qi Qi to school.

2 [A] tail [B] father [C] finish [D] decide [E] noise

3 [A] B [B] C [C] C

4 [A] Mother [B] Li Wei [C] Father

# 26

## A Little Dog

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Feng Zixia 冯子夏

### Words and Expressions

forest 森林

market 市场

in a low voice 低声地

normal 正常的

scream 尖叫

receive 收到

water 浇水；水

painful 痛苦的

it's 它是

raise 饲养

freedom 自由

its 它的

### Text

A dog lives in a forest. It is kind. The other animals like it very much. It lives a normal and happy life.

Every day, it does the same things. It waters flowers and raises chickens. But today is a special day. It's its mother's birthday.

"What can I give mother as a gift?" it says to itself in a low voice, "Maybe I can buy something in the market."

It goes to the market. It notices the meat and asks, "How much is it?"

The seller says, "Fifty *yuan*."

It counts its money quickly. It says, "But...I only have twenty *yuan*."

The seller says, "You can buy some fish."

A dog does not like eating fish. It goes back home sadly. It thinks, "What gifts can I get?" Then, it notices some flowers.

"I can pick some flowers for my mother. Just see how beautiful they are!" it thinks.

It goes to the flowers. The flowers scream, "Please don't touch us! It's painful."

"Okay...how about giving her some eggs?" it thinks.

The hen screams, "Please don't touch my children. They can't live without me."

Then it sees a bird in sky. It asks, "Can you be my mother's pet?"

The bird answers, "No, I love freedom."

It goes to its mother's house. It has nothing.

"My mother will be angry without a gift," It thinks and cries.

Its mother opens the door in surprise.

She says, "Oh...dear, what a big surprise!"

The dog says in a low voice. "But I don't have any gift."

"You are the best gift that I receive," the mother says and smiles.

### Exercises

1 Choose T (true) or F (false).

[A] The little dog has enough money to buy the meat. \_\_\_\_\_

[B] The flowers scream because they don't like the little dog. \_\_\_\_\_

[C] The bird doesn't want to be a pet. \_\_\_\_\_

[D] The little dog's mother is angry because it doesn't receive any gifts. \_\_\_\_\_

2 Match the characters with the phrases below.

[A] The little dog scream loudly

[B] Mother receives the best gift

[C] The bird doesn't have enough money

[D] The flowers loves freedom

3 Each sentence below has one mistake. Find the mistake and correct it in each sentence.

[A] The bird don't want to become a pet. Mistake = \_\_\_\_\_ Correct = \_\_\_\_\_

[B] Mom happy because of the best gift. Mistake = \_\_\_\_\_ Correct = \_\_\_\_\_

[C] Dogs like eat meat. Mistake = \_\_\_\_\_ Correct = \_\_\_\_\_

[D] The little dog go to the market. Mistake = \_\_\_\_\_ Correct = \_\_\_\_\_

4 Write answers to these questions.

[A] What does the little dog want to buy at first? \_\_\_\_\_

[B] Why doesn't the little dog choose the bird as a gift? \_\_\_\_\_

[C] Why is its mom so happy at the end of this story? \_\_\_\_\_

## Answers

- 1 [A] (F) The little dog has enough money to buy the meat.  
  
[B] (F) The flowers scream because they don't like the little dog.  
  
[C] (T) The bird doesn't want to be a pet.  
  
[D] (F) The little dog's mother is angry because it doesn't receive any gifts.
- 2 The little dog screams loudly  
  
Mother receives the best gift  
  
The bird doesn't have enough money  
  
The flowers love freedom
- 3 [A] The bird doesn't want to become a pet.  
  
[B] Mom is happy because of the best gift.  
  
[C] Dogs like eating meat.  
  
[D] The little dog goes to the market.
- 4 [A] He wants to buy some meat.  
  
[B] Because the bird doesn't want to be a pet.  
  
[C] Because it receives the best gift.

# 27

## Success

Chai Ao 柴澳

### Words and Expressions

succeed 成功	reply 回答	单词
lucky 幸运的	daughter 女儿	work hard 努力工作
village 乡村, 农村	field 田野	go to cities 去城里
confident 自信的	dream 梦想	these things 这些事情
interesting 有趣的	rule 规则	play the piano 弹钢琴
understand 理解明白	play outside 在外面玩	tell the truth 讲出实情
dislike 不喜欢	spell these words 拼写这些	talk with others 和其他人

### Text

Xiao Yu is seven years old. Her parents are farmers. They go to big cities for money. Xiao Yu is lucky. Village life is happy. Kids play outside every day. Green flowers, singing birds... Many interesting things are there. Xiao Yu lives a happy life.

Her parents bring her to the city. It's time to leave, Xiao Yu cries. She says, "Father, I don't want to go. Why do we have to..."

Her father stops her. "Dear, you are lucky. We are here for you. You need to study. You can understand one day."

Xiao Yu says nothing.

At the new school, Xiao Yu is unhappy. There is much homework every day. She has to get up early. She studies several hours after school. One day, the teacher says, "Spell the word for us."

Xiao Yu stands still. Other children do not play with her. These things make her sad. She doesn't want to make her parents unhappy. They work hard. They come home. They are tired. They ask Xiao Yu, "How is school?"

She replies, "Good!" She wants to tell the truth. Before she goes to sleep, she cries. She tries her best. She wants her parents to be happy.

One day, Xiao Yu visits her aunt. Her aunt's daughter is Xiao Yuan. She is older than Xiao Yu. She plays the piano. She sees Xiao Yu. She stops and says, "You are that girl from a village? Can



you play the piano?"

Xiao Yu is angry. She lies, "Yes, I can."

She doesn't know how to play the piano. She doesn't like the way Xiao Yuan speaks.

At night, she has a dream. She goes back home. She runs in the field. She plays games with friends ... There are no rules or homework.

"Why do city children dislike me? Without farmers, what would they eat?" She thinks. She studies hard. She spends more time reading.

Finally, she succeeds. Xiao Yu becomes confident. She learns to talk with others. She makes friends.

Learn from Xiao Yu. Try. We all can succeed.

### Exercises

1 Who said the sentences below? Choose the correct answer - A, B or C.

[A] "You are that girl from a village? Can you play the piano?"

A Xiao Yu                      B Xiao Yuan                      C Xiao Yu's classmate

[B] "You are lucky. We are here for you. You need to study."

A Xiao Yu's father              B Xiao Yu's aunt              C Xiao Yu's teacher

2 The words are not spelled correctly. Spell them correctly.

meco \_\_\_\_\_              hse \_\_\_\_\_

3 Are these statements true (T) or false (F)? If a statement is false, change it. Make it true.

[A] Xiao Yu can play the piano very well. \_\_\_\_\_

[B] Xiao Yu's parents go to the city to make money. \_\_\_\_\_

[C] Xiao Yu finally has success. \_\_\_\_\_

4 The words in these sentences are not in the correct order. Put them in correct order.

[A] Life is the village in happy. \_\_\_\_\_

[B] Things her make these sad. \_\_\_\_\_

[C] Home come they. \_\_\_\_\_

## Answers

1 [A] B

[B] A

2 [A] come

[B] she

3 [A] F Xiao Yu doesn't learn to play the piano. [B] T

[C] T

4 [A] Life in the village is happy.

[B] These things make her sad. [C] They come home.

# 28

## Grandma's Kindness

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Wang Shiqi 王诗琪

### Words and Expressions

kindness n. 善良；仁慈；好意；友好的行为

sunny adj. 晴朗的；阳光充足的；和煦的

suddenly adv. 突然地；忽然地

approach v. 接近；靠近；着手处理 n. 方法；

途经

steal (stole, stolen) v. 窃取；偷窃；偷偷地行

动

pocket n. 口袋

surprise adj. 令人惊讶的 n. 惊奇；诧异 v.

使惊奇

hardly adv. 几乎不；简直不

pat v. 轻拍

go shopping 购物

stand up 站起来；起立

take care of 照顾；注意；爱护

Say goodbye to 告辞；告别

think of 想起；记起；考虑

be ready to 为某事做准备；愿意做某事；乐意；

愿意

Nothing is better. 再好不过了。

It is very kind of you. 你真是善良了。

Have a safe trip. 一路平安。

has everything in it 所有东西都放在里面

hopes someone can 希望有人能够

may not be true 可能不是真的

doesn't think too much 没有想太多

feel surprise 感到意外

Helping others is helping ourselves. 帮助他

人就是帮助我们自己。

be like you 像你一样

an important lesson 一个重要的道理

ready to help others 准备好或愿意去帮助别人

Kindness can change the world. 善意可以改

变这个世界。

## Text

New Year comes. It is sunny. Grandma and I go shopping.

It is a happy day. I can buy new clothes. Nothing is better!

We walk on the street. There are many people. Grandma holds my hand.

Suddenly, she stops. A young man sits on the ground. We approach him.

There is a paper on the ground. His name is Li Lei. He is eighteen. He travels here. His bag is stolen. He has everything in it. He hopes someone can help him. He needs money to buy a ticket. He wants to go home.

"It may not be true. Don't believe him. Don't give him money," someone says.

Grandma doesn't think too much. She takes money from her pocket. She gives him 500 RMB. People feel surprise. I feel surprise, too.

Li Lei stands up. He can hardly believe it. Five hundred RMB is enough to buy a ticket. He takes the money. He says, "Thank you very much! It is very kind of you."

"I hope you can go home safely. Your family must worry. Take care of your bag. Have a safe trip," Grandma says with a smile.

Li Lei says goodbye to us. He leaves.

"Grandma, why do you believe him?" I ask.

She pats my head. She says, "I'm not sure. I want to help him. I believe he needs help. I am happy to help him. Learn to help others. Helping others is helping ourselves. Do you understand?"

"Yes, Grandma. You are very kind. I want to be like you," I say.

"He is your age. When I see him, I think of you. When you need help, I hope someone helps you," she says.

I learn an important lesson. We must be kind. We must be ready to help others. Kindness can change the world.

## Exercises

1 Match the character with the words below.

- |           |                                         |
|-----------|-----------------------------------------|
| ① I       | A. It is very kind of you.              |
| ② Someone | B. Helping others is helping ourselves. |
| ③ Grandma | C. Don't believe him.                   |
| ④ Li Lei  | D. We must be ready to help others.     |

2 Are these statements true or false? If the statement is false, change it so it is true.

- [A] I really like New Year. \_\_\_\_\_
- [B] Li Lei is seventeen. \_\_\_\_\_
- [C] Not all the people believe Li Lei. \_\_\_\_\_
- [D] It takes Grandma a long time to decide to give Li Lei some money. \_\_\_\_\_
- [E] Kindness is very important in our life. \_\_\_\_\_

3 These words are not spelled correctly. Spell them correctly.

- [A] appraoch \_\_\_\_\_ [B] sudenly \_\_\_\_\_ [C] beleive \_\_\_\_\_
- [D] suprise \_\_\_\_\_ [E] enuogh \_\_\_\_\_ [F] inportant \_\_\_\_\_
- [G] stolen \_\_\_\_\_ [H] hundread \_\_\_\_\_

4 The words in this sentence are not in the correct order. Put them in the correct order.

- [A] \_\_\_\_\_ You are when helps need, hope I help someone you.
- [B] \_\_\_\_\_ You go I can home hope safely.
- [C] \_\_\_\_\_ See I him when, you I of think.
- [D] \_\_\_\_\_ He buy ticket money needs to a.
- [E] \_\_\_\_\_ RMB to is five hundred enough a buy ticket.

### Answers

- 1 ①D ②C ③B ④A
- 2 [A] Yes.  
[B] No; Li Lei is eighteen.  
[C] Yes.  
[D] No; Grandma does not think too much.  
[E] Yes.
- 3 [A] approach [B] suddenly [C] believe [D] surprise [E] enough [F] important [G] stolen  
[H] hundred
- 4 [A] When you need help, I hope someone helps you.  
[B] I hope you can go home safely.  
[C] When I see him, I think of you.  
[D] He needs money to buy a ticket.  
[E] Five hundred RMB is enough to buy a ticket.

# 29

## A Good Song

Tang Wenrui 唐文睿

### Words and Expressions

young 年轻的	cannot accept 不能接受	life 生活；生命；寿命
love 爱（动词或名词）	again 再次	moon 月亮；月光
simple 简单的	warm 温暖的	each other 彼此
happy 快乐的	bolded 加粗的	look for 寻找
teach 教授（动词）	meaning 意思；意义	no one 无人
beauty 美；美人；美好事物	sentence 句子	wake up 醒来
special 特别的	choose 选择	part of my life 我生命的一部分
write 写作（文章、歌曲等）	leave 离开	give up 放弃
walk 走；散步	hear 听见	feel 感觉
dark 黑暗的；深色的；忧郁的	know 知道；了解	face 脸；面对
bright 明亮的；聪明的；愉快的	song 歌曲	exact 确切的
go for a walk 散步	singer 歌手；歌唱者	word 单词
anymore 不再，再也不	great 好的；伟大的	below 下面的
take care of 照顾	cry 哭	answer 答案
have no interest in...对某事没有兴趣	warm 温暖的	
decide to do ...决定做某事	travel 旅行	

### Text

Lili is a young mother. She has two children. She loves them. Her life is simple. She is happy. She works in a small school. She teaches music. She is not a beauty. Her voice is not very good. But she is special. She writes songs.

She walks at night. Her husband walks with her. His name is Wuxi. It is very dark. The moon is bright. They see each other.

Wuxi says, "This place is very small. I want to go to the city."

Lili says, "We have money. We have children. We have a simple, good life. Why do you want to leave?"

Wuxi says, "I do not love you anymore. I am not free here."

They walk down the street. Lili looks at Wuxi's eyes. She looks for love. She says, "We still love each other. You are part of my life."

Wuxi says nothing.

Wuxi leaves Lili. She does not know where he is.

She drives a car. Taking care of children is not easy. She cries. She now feels life is not easy. She cannot accept this. She gives up. She does not want to work anymore. She listens to no one.

Several years later, she has no friends. She is less beautiful. No one can help her.

She wakes up one morning. She hears a song. She knows it! That is her song! She finds the singer. He is short. He says the song is really great. She cries. She feels warm again! She can still do something! She can write songs ! She decides to face life again. She travels. She writes many songs. She loves life again!

### Exercises

1 Guess the exact meaning of the bolded words and sentence below. Choose ONE answer.

[A] It is very **dark**.                      A 黑暗的                      B 深色的                      C 忧郁的

[B] The moon is **bright**.                      A 明亮的                      B 聪明的                      C 愉快的

[C] She decides to **face** life again.    A 脸                      B 面对

2 Which words describe these pictures best? Choose ONE answer.



[A]                      A. Moon B. Sun



[B]                      A. Cold B. Warm



[C]                      A. Happy B. Sad

3 Are these statements true or false? If it is true, write "T"; if it is false, write "F".

[A] Lili teaches math. ( )

[B] Lili can't write songs. ( )

[C] Lili wants to travel, because she is sad. ( )

4 What do you think will happen next? ( )

### **Answers**

1 A, A, C

2 A, B, A

3 F, F, F



# Be Careful of Dangers

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Liu Yuixin 柳宇欣

## Words and Expressions

story 故事

plan 计划

teach 教学

city 城市

children 孩子

street 街道

agree 同意

family 家庭

## Text

The story is for kind men. Please think twice before helping others.

Li Mei is a fresh man. Li is excited to see many clubs. She joins in a teaching club.

The club has a vacation plan. The plan is to teach in poor city. Li is excited. Li leaves to teach. She takes books and gifts for children. She goes to meet other the group. Travel to the city takes three days. Next morning, they come to a street.

"We can have lunch here."

Then they take lunch together. The food there is not bad. The group eat quickly.

"Are we in the city now?"

"Almost," the team leader says.

"That's good!" the group cheer.

After lunch, they walk to the car.

The street is crowd and untidy. On street some men look around strangely.

Li's belly aches. She leaves the car. A man walks around anxiously. Li feels confused.

"Excuse me, what's wrong with you?"

"I must load the truck."

"Is anyone helping you?"

"Yes, but I need one more man."

"Can you help me?" the man asks.

Li hesitates and then agrees.

"Where is the truck?"

"Follow me," the man smiled.

They walk down the street. Li talks with the man happily. The man asks about her family, study. There are few shops in the street. Li feels uncomfortable.

"Where are we go?" she asks.

The man says nothing. Li stops. She wants to run away. The man knocks her down.

Li's friend calls Li. Li does not answer the call. She tells Wang. Wang asks the group to find Li. Two hours pass. They don't find Li. Wang guesses Li is in trouble. He calls the police. The police find nothing. At last, they give up. Everyone is sad.

(Three years later)

It is not easy to find jobs. Wang walks down the street. He sees a group of men. Wang sees a woman. She wears dirty clothes. She does not speak. The group talk about her.

She sits on the ground. Then the woman looks up. Wang looks at her. She is Li!

Wang says, "Li Mei, do you know me?"

Li turns around and looks at Wang. She cries. They hug each other.

Li is saved.

"Don't be afraid," Wang comforts, "Take your time!"

One day, Li writes a letter. Wang reads it. Wang knows everything now. "Don't trust stranger easily!" This is the last sentence. Wang is sad and angry. He calls the police. Finally, the police catch the man.

### Exercises

1 These words are not spelled correctly. Spell each word correctly.

[A] sdory \_\_\_\_\_ [B] befor \_\_\_\_\_ [C] famli \_\_\_\_\_ [D] gruop \_\_\_\_\_ [E] graud \_\_\_\_\_

2 The words in these sentences are not in the correct order. Put them in the correct order.

[A] excited clubs Li to many is see \_\_\_\_\_

[B] in is the teach poor plan to city \_\_\_\_\_

[C] three city takes the travel to days \_\_\_\_\_

[D] they after car the walk, to lunch \_\_\_\_\_

3 Each sentence below has one mistake. Find the mistake and correct it in each sentence.

[A] Please think twice before help others Mistake = \_\_\_\_\_ Correct = \_\_\_\_\_

[B] The group eats quick. Mistake = \_\_\_\_\_ Correct = \_\_\_\_\_

[C] Excuse me, what's wrong of you? Mistake = \_\_\_\_\_ Correct = \_\_\_\_\_

[D] She does not talk. Mistake = \_\_\_\_\_ Correct = \_\_\_\_\_

4 Write answers to these questions.

[A] What is the club's plan? \_\_\_\_\_

[B] How long it takes to get to the city? \_\_\_\_\_

[C] What does Li Mei write in the end of the letter? \_\_\_\_\_

[D] What do you learn after reading the story? \_\_\_\_\_

## Answers

[1] [A] story [B] before [C] family [D] group [E] ground

[2]

[A] Li is excited to see many clubs.

[B] The plan is to teach in poor city.

[C] Travel to the city takes three days

[D] After lunch, they walk to the car.

[3]

[A] Please think twice before helping others.

[B] The group eats quickly.

[C] Excuse me, what's wrong with you?

[D] She does not speak.

[4]

[A] The club's plan is to teach in the poor city.

[B] It takes three days to get to the city.

[C] She writes "Don't trust stranger easily" in the end of the letter.

[D] Do not trust strangers easily, and just help those kind men.

# 31

## A Kind Heart

Jiang Yuqing 江宇晴

### Words and Expressions

mention 提及	all kinds of 各种各样的	step by step 一步一步地
disabled 残废的；有缺陷的	beach party 沙滩派对	can do it 能够做到
uncomfortable 不舒服的；不安的	mess 混乱	drink too much 喝得太多了
weather 天气；气候	angry 生气的；愤怒的	break out 爆发
set the pace 保持步伐，领先	keep up with 赶上	disappointed 失望的
subway 地铁	proud of 为...感到骄傲	adjust to you 赶上
fall down 跌倒	complain of 抱怨	treat 对待
kindness 善良；好心	brave 勇敢的	fan of... 某人的粉丝
disappointed 感到失望的	baseball team 棒球队	take me to watch games 带我去看比赛
volunteer 自愿；主动	learn... from... 从...中学到...	
	in fact 事实上	

### Text

My friend, Li, often mentions his father. His father is a short, disabled man. They walk together. He holds Li's arm. Li says, "People look at us. I don't feel uncomfortable. In fact, I'm proud of my father."

Li's father is a worker. He works in all kinds of weather. They walk to the subway together. His father says, "You set the pace. I keep up with you."

Li is proud of his father. Snow is on the ground. It's difficult for him to walk. He walks step by step. He falls down, stands up, and walks again. Li doesn't help him. He knows his father can do it. Li says, "What a brave man!"

Li's father likes parties. He likes sitting and watching. He also likes talking. He says, "I look for kindness from others."

At a beach party, some people drink too much. The party is a mess. Then a fight breaks out.

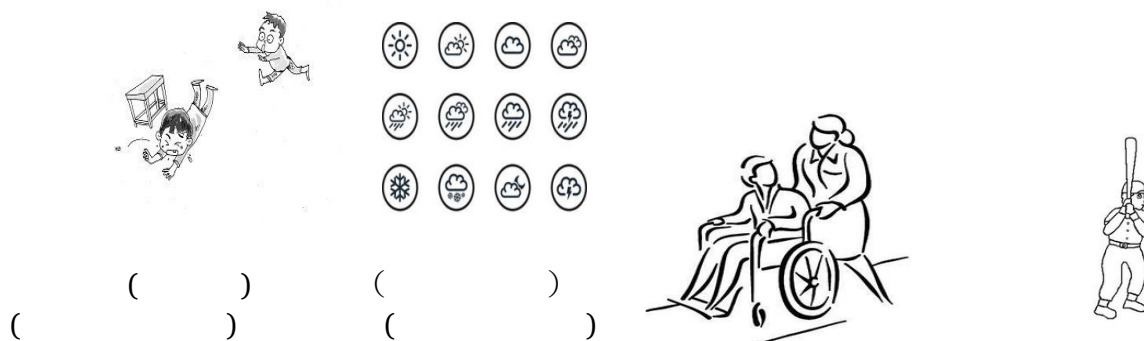
His father worries. He doesn't sit and watch. He stands up and falls down. He is disappointed and angry. He shouts, "I fight who sits by me!" Nobody does. The fight stops.

"He never complains. He never wants more luck. That's my father," my friend says, "He joins many activities. A baseball team needs a leader, he volunteers. He is a fan of baseball. He often takes me to watch games. He has a kind heart. Sometimes I complain of someone or something. Sometimes I don't have a kind heart. Then, I think of him. I learn what kindness is from him."

What if I have a disabled father? Can I be like him?

### Exercises

1 Look at the pictures, write the words



2 Complete the sentences with the following words: | set the pace | brave | volunteers | kindness

- [A] His father is a \_\_\_\_\_ man.      [B] He \_\_\_\_\_ to take care of the sick.  
 [C] We should repay his \_\_\_\_\_.      [D] You \_\_\_\_\_, I will try to adjust to you.

3 Rewrite the sentences correctly.

- [A] a his short man is disabled father \_\_\_\_\_  
 [B] walk the they together to subway \_\_\_\_\_  
 [C] I have don't a sometimes heart kind \_\_\_\_\_

4 Write answers to these questions

- [A] Why didn't my friend help his father stand up? \_\_\_\_\_  
 [B] Name two things that show that my friend's father is kind. \_\_\_\_\_  
 [C] Are there disabled people near you? How should you treat them? \_\_\_\_\_

## Answers

1

(1) fall down

(2) weather

(3) disabled

(4) baseball

2

brave

volunteers

kindness

set the pace

3

[A] His father is a short, disabled man.

[B] They walk to the subway together.

[C] Sometimes I don't have a heart kind.

4

[A] He believes his father can do it himself.

[B]

1 He stops a fight at a party.

2 He volunteers to be the leader of a baseball team.